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## VICE PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE

# Last finalist visits campus

**Whitman shares views on leadership, funding; University near decision**

By SARA MEYERS  
CHIEF REPORTER

During Northwest's search for a new vice president of Academic Affairs, Richard Whitman visited from James Madison University in Virginia to share his views about leadership in higher education with faculty and students of the University.

Whitman believes in a situational style of leadership, which he says comes down to two different types of situations: task and relation.

"My leadership style has been characterized as a commitment to diversity," Whitman said. "I try to be inclusive in my college."

Whitman's tactics to be involved with a university included a person-to-person relationship with faculty members at James Madison University.

"I like to find out first hand what's happening in my college," Whitman said. "Once a week, I make a point to walk through the department and talk to people to find out what's going on."

Dealing with controversies between members of a university is a situation people in administrative positions often incur.

"My nature is not one of being an adversary," Whitman said. "My approach is always one of mediation, which I find is a strength. I would try to position myself to be mutually beneficial to those in dispute."

The decision on where to cut the budget also falls partially in the lap of the vice president. Whitman, who lived through the decade of the decline in higher education, believes cutting across the board hurts an institution.

"Vertical cuts is basically the philosophy we had settled on at James Madison," Whitman said. "It's not an easy thing to do, but the health of the University has improved through those type of cuts."

Whitman said making changes in curriculum involves a process of communicating the proposals and deciding upon what changes need to be made.

"Where change is needed you need to go and communicate what needs to be changed with that department," Whitman said. "I think a big part of the job of vice president of Academic Af-



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**DURING HIS NORTHWEST visit, Richard Whitman, one of two candidates for vice president of Academic Affairs, describes his situational style of leadership. Whitman answered questions from faculty.**

fairs is communicating between the departments."

Along with making changes in departments, Whitman believes in judging qualifications of faculty by their department.

"To have the same criteria for all faculty members would be like cloning," Whitman said. "When I evaluate

theatre, I use their standards. When I evaluate education I use their standards."

Hubbard and the Board of Regents plan to choose between Whitman and Beheruz Sethna, executive vice president of Academic and Student Affairs at Lamar University in Beaumont, Texas.

## SPEECH

# Forensics students ready for nationals

By JODI O'HAIR  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The forensic team is traveling to Bowling Green, Ken., for the 1994 National Forensic Association Championship Tournament April 12-18.

Eight students from the Northwest Forensic team are contestants in the national tournament with 22 presentations.

"As a team, I believe that we will pleasantly surprise ourselves," Al Atkins, senior, said. "With a lot of practice and hard work, we have a great chance of placing nationally. As for myself, I just want to make my last year at nationals a memorable one. I will do everything in my power to bring home some recognition to Northwest."

Atkins is entered in six events: After Dinner, Extemporaneous, Impromptu, Persuasion, Poetry and Duo with Mary Moore, sophomore. Moore is in four events: After Dinner, Extemp, Impromptu and Persuasion.

"I am looking forward to nationals especially because it is my first year," Moore said. "The team members have

grown together and I believe we are ready."

Shawn Bechtol, freshman, will present After Dinner, Poetry and take part in two Duos with Neil Neumeyer, freshman, and Tisha Tapia, sophomore.

"I will hopefully meet my goals of making it to the quarterfinals," Bechtol said. "As a group, I feel that everyone is really prepared and can accomplish their goals."

Tapia will also present a Persuasion and Informative.

"We have spent all year working on the fundamentals, so we are ready and well prepared to give our best," Tapia said. "We are all very excited and have set high goals to help achieve this success."

Neumeyer's other event will be Poetry.

"I don't want to have any regrets and be flawless in my performances," Neumeyer said. "I want to seize the opportunity and make the most of it, besides just having some fun."

John Kilby is entered into Rhetoric Critic and Jim Ulvestad is entered in After Dinner, Poetry and Informative.

## IN-DEPTH

► A night before the finals the forensics showcase was held at Northwest.  
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JON BRITTON/Contributing Photographer

**JUNIOR STACY BARR adds to the chalk drawing done by the Alpha Sigma Alpha sorority. The Chalk Draw held Wednesday, April 13, started the festivities for the**

**Greek Weekend. Other events are scheduled through Sunday to promote Greek life. The traditional Greek Week was changed to a weekend this year.**

# Greek Weekend provides changes in tradition, events

By KARISSA BONEY

Greeks will gather for fun games, unity and community service during the annual Greek Weekend festivities April 14-17.

Although the concept of Greek Week was changed to a weekend event, the tradition will continue.

According to Kent Porterfield, assistant dean of students, activities were moved to the weekend hoping to increase participation. Academics were also a main concern.

"The reason they wanted to do this was because of the academic schedule," Porterfield said. "With so much planned it was a distraction from course work."

The annual Greek Sing will kick off the weekend Thursday, April 14, at 3:30 p.m. at the Bell Tower, followed by the chariot race, canoe race and tricycle race. Activities will continue on Friday with competitive games beginning at 3 p.m. in the Tundra.

According to Greek Weekend Co-Chairman Kristi Hawley, new games were added to the agenda while some of the old favorites were given a new twist. Hawley said teams would be intermixed this year with a member of each fraternity on some teams. The annual picnic at Beal Park is expected to bring in the most attendance as one of the most popular events during the weekend. Along with the picnic, softball, volleyball and a dunk tank will be held on Saturday.

With fun and games underway, Becky Butler and Trevor Schmidt will reign over the weekend as Hera and Zeus.

As Hera, Butler will be more involved in Greek Weekend activities than she has been in past years.

"(I look forward to) just having fun," she said. "I get to be more involved and help out with the games and at the kick off."

Although Greek Weekend is a time for students to have fun, there is also a serious focus to the weekend, with keynote speaker Mark Davis at 8 p.m., Friday, April 15, in Charles Johnson Theatre. Davis, a former regional and expansion director for a national fraternity, will be addressing issues of motivation beginning with a round table session at 5:30 p.m. at the Cardinal Inn.

## ΑΣΑ ΔΧ ΣΣΣ ΔΣΦ ΦΜ ΔΖ ΑΚΑ SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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### Thursday, April 14

3:30 p.m. Kickoff/Greek Sing, Bell Tower  
4:30 p.m. Chariot race, Union Circle  
5 p.m. Tricycle race, Roberta Circle  
5:30 p.m. Canoe race, Colden Pond  
6 p.m. Blindfolded canoe race, Colden Pond

### Friday, April 15

3-4:40 p.m. Competitive games, Tundra  
bat race, 5-legged race, combined 5-legged race, blindfolded wheelbarrow and tire roll  
8 p.m. Speaker, Charles Johnson Theatre

### Saturday, April 16

2 p.m. Picnic, softball, volleyball and dunk tank, Beal Park

### Sunday, April 17

3 p.m. Faculty Tea, Union Ballroom  
7 p.m. Awards Ceremony, Union Ballroom

Porterfield said a main focus of the weekend will be on community service and philanthropic events. Throughout the weekend, fraternity and sorority members will be rocking in McDonald's parking lot raising money for the Nodaway County Red Cross in a Rocking-Chair-a-thon. A car wash was held last week, while a clothes drive and canned food drive will also contribute to community service.

"Greek Week has been organized for chapters to put their best foot forward and demonstrate what they are all about and give back to the community," Porterfield said. "It has become a good tradition, something the chapters look forward to."

Greeks will recognize outstanding faculty at a faculty tea Sunday, April 17, at 3 p.m. and will conclude the weekend with the annual Awards Ceremony at 7 p.m. in the Ballroom.

# 'Coming out' integral to development

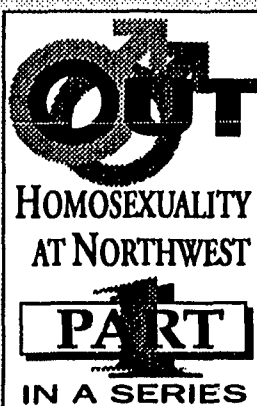
By SCOTT A. PUMMELL  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR  
SARA MEYERS  
CHIEF REPORTER

*Editors note: Persons identified only by their first names have had their name changed for reasons of protection.*

There are many steps people must take in their individual journeys to maturity, and quite often one of these steps stands out as the most important.

For homosexual men and women, one of the most challenging and life-altering is the process of accepting and telling others of their sexual preference.

"It's one of the biggest steps a (homosexual) person can take," Jeremy, sophomore, said.



"You have the need to tell other people about it, but you're too insecure to do it." However, for many gays and lesbians, there are reasons for keeping their lifestyle to themselves.

Because much of today's society regards homosexuality as either wrong or immoral, it often can have an adverse effect on a homosexual's self-confidence.

"Sometimes being gay is like having a disease," Jeremy said.

"In general conversation with people, when we would talk even remotely about the subject, people would just wig out about it," Candi Davis, a former student who transferred because of her lifestyle.

"Lord knows, I don't want the shit beat out of me for just being myself," Davis said. "I've seen it happen (at Northwest) and everywhere else."

Most homosexuals find they must look for acceptance by letting others know.

"When no one knows about this side of you, it's very isolating," Jeremy said. "It's really hard to live with. But it's hard to take that first step in telling someone because you're afraid of damaging whatever relationship you might have with them."

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# Financial Aid director resigns

By SCOTT A. PUMMELL  
ASSOCIATE EDITOR

For the second time during this academic year, Northwest is searching for a new director of Financial Aid.

Jerry deBin, director of Financial Aid, turned in his letter of resignation Tuesday, April 12, according to Sandy Cox, director of Human Services.

"Dr. deBin's reasons for his resignation are personal," Public Relations Officer Bob Henry said.

According to Cox, deBin resigned so he could move back to Texas to be with his family. The search for a new director has already begun, according to Henry.

"We'll act as quickly and officially as possible to fill the position," Henry said. deBin could not be reached for comment.

## INSIDE



## Sports

► The women's tennis team is undefeated in conference play.

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## MY TURN

Jodi Puls  
Co-Editor in  
Chief

**Cobain's  
use of  
drugs,  
suicide  
teach  
children  
wrong way  
to live**

## Musician's death tragic example

Friday, April 8, was a sad day for fans of grunge rock group Nirvana and its lead singer Kurt Cobain, but it was even more sad for children of our country.

Every half hour on MTV, the "news" was of the tragedy of Cobain's death. Each time, the story was the same: rich, famous, young musician's life over because of drugs. It does sound like a tragic story. But the details are a bit less glamorous. Behind the bright rising star is a dark story of a fallen man.

In 1991, Nirvana's multimillion-selling album "Nevermind" helped make alternative music more popular. Last year, "In Utero" was released and helped increase Cobain and Nirvana's success.

But one month ago, Cobain was hospitalized in Rome for drug-induced coma.

And Friday, he was found dead, apparently of a self-inflicted gunshot wound to the head.

It was a sad day for his fans, but it was also sad for the children who saw how the media portrayed this act of selfishness as an important news event.

Cobain's death was treated as if he had been a hero, not a drug addict.

It is sad to think that children saw this and will think "If he was so great, and he did drugs, it must be okay." It is hard enough to teach children the difference between what is right and wrong, but sending them mixed messages is even worse.

Children need to be shown that it is not glamorous to do drugs. They need to be taught that being rich and famous is not an excuse for using drugs.

According to a study released by the Department of Health and Human Services, the same day as Cobain's body was discovered, shows many young people believe that using drugs is not harmful.

The study was conducted by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration. It found only 54 percent of 12- to 17-year-olds in 1992 believed there is great risk associated with trying cocaine once or twice.

This means many children believe it is not dangerous to do drugs.

With the way the death of Cobain was portrayed by the media, children may believe it is okay to use drugs.

Children also may get the impression from Cobain's example that suicide is the way out for them. For those

who idolized Cobain, and who think their lives are not going great, they may follow the singer's lead and end their lives in the same selfish way he did.

The war on drugs is battled in classrooms everyday, but children are more impressed by what they see on television or hear on the radio.

The war on drugs needs to be battled where it will be the most effective — in the spotlight.

National sports organizations have the right idea: mandated drug testing. The same idea should be carried over into the entertainment industry. Actors, directors and musicians should have to be tested for drugs before they start a new project or go on tour or release an album.

Children need an example they can truly look up to without the danger of their hero falling.

The death of Cobain is tragic. It is tragic because it shows that fame and fortune make it seem okay to use drugs, and it shows that one person's way to deal with the problems of life is to hide in death.

It is unfortunate children learn from the example of adults like Cobain.

## OUR VIEW

Editorials express the view of the Northwest Missourian. Observations elsewhere on the page represent independent viewpoints of columnists, cartoonists and readers.

## Bond failure disappointing

The failure of the Maryville school bond issue last week has, for the second time, put the future of the community on hold. Last year, the bond was defeated 2-to-1; this year, it won the majority, however, it needed 3 percent more of the vote to win.

The results are optimistic, but nevertheless frustrating for bond issue advocates whose only wish is to push education forward.

Considering the negative forces against them, these dedicated members of the community should be commended for their efforts and encouraged to keep fighting for Maryville's children.

Unfortunately, some voters weren't satisfied with the plans for a new middle school. Some didn't like the location, or the building design, or the cost, or the size, or even the idea of a new facility.

Some voters wanted a new high school and move the middle school students into the existing high school. Others wanted to renovate Washington Middle School — a school filled to the brim with safety hazards, cramped classrooms and shoddy interior. Both suggestions are neither feasible nor practical for Maryville.

However, the community will not and should not give up. Plans are already underway for a new bond issue. This time, it must pass.

Because every time the bond issue fails, the danger children face in their present facilities escalates, along with the increasing taxpayer expenses for more bond elections and for continuing patchwork to the existing structure.

Every time the bond fails, the plans for the issue will be for a school that costs more money for smaller facilities.

Whatever the plans entail, the end result will be a new facility that will function not only as an educational center for young people, but also as a community center for Maryville.

For the next election, more citizens will be educated about a need to improve the educational facilities for Maryville's children.

We must not give up on our future. We must not give up on our children. Next time, we must vote "yes" for the bond issue. We owe it to them. We owe it to ourselves.

## LETTER TO THE EDITOR

### Column's contradictions obvious; better education not handout

Dear Editor,

I am writing in response to Jeff Roe's column on the Goals 2000 bill concerning education reform. I believe a few contradictions in his reasoning need to be pointed out.

First of all, Roe makes it clear his objection to this plan is based on the fact that it "allows Congress to write the rules for better schools," and takes "the creativity and expertise out of the hands of school faculty and administrators."

However, he also describes the reform as follows: "A council of educators, independent of the government, would adopt benchmarks describing what students should know and be able to do at certain grade levels."

There is an obvious contradiction here. If the council consists of educators, and they are independent of the government, then where does Roe base his complaints that Congress and the government are stepping on educator's toes?

Roe wants us to believe that standardization of education requirements amount to a tyrannical

"national policy enforced by the federal government." Is this because such a reform may bring inner-city schools to the standards of schools in wealthier areas? Roe calls this "another chance for people to rely on government and keep their hands extended allowing the government to take care of them."

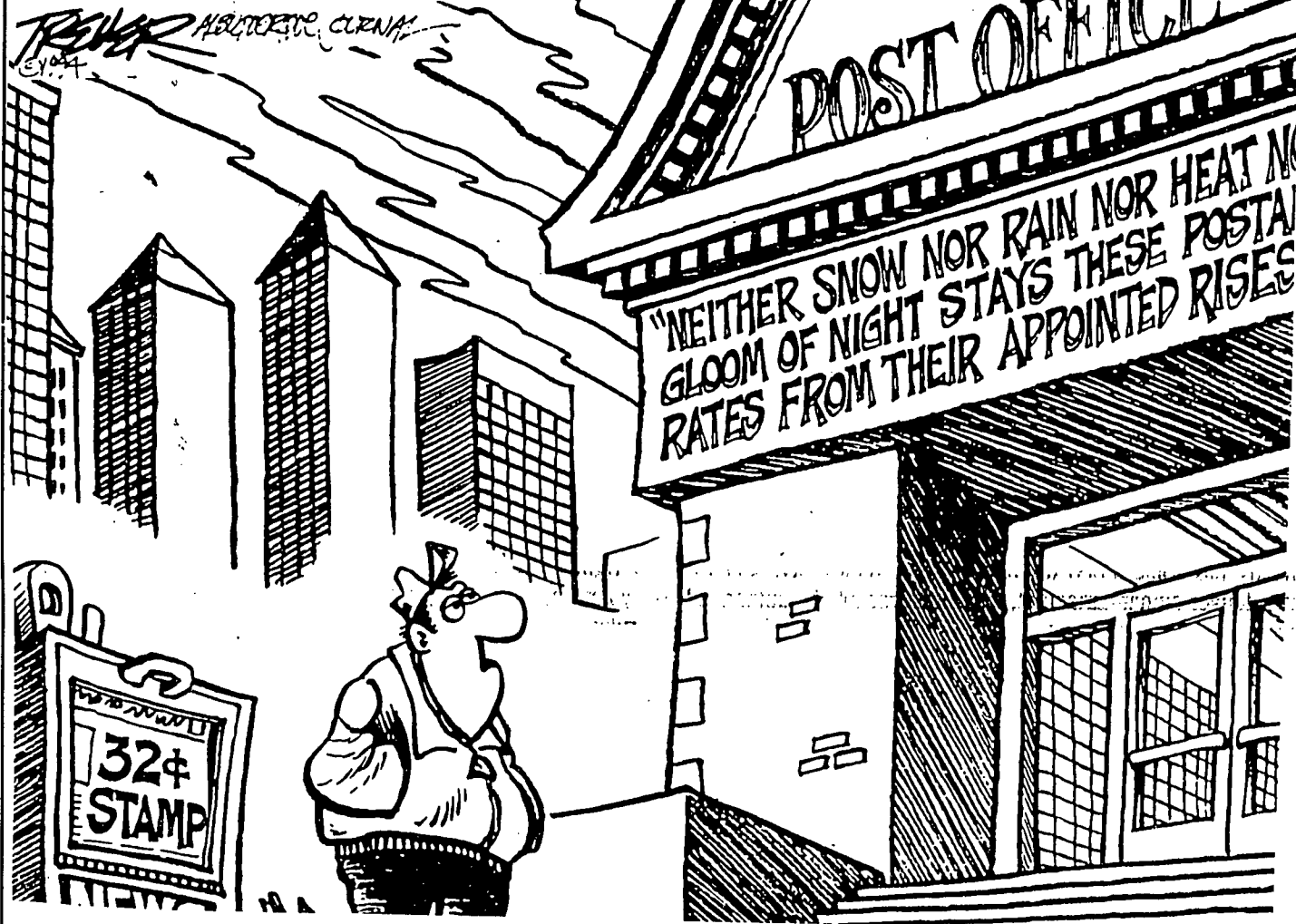
How does making a better education available to more people amount to the dreadful handout?

Something tells me that Roe is more involved in parroting the knee-jerk lines he hears on Rush Limbaugh's show than in even considering whether or not these well-repeated phrases are even relevant to the issues he writes about.

Finally, in answer to Roe's question as to why a child who brings a gun to school is even allowed back through the doors, I suggest that keeping him from school would be a violation of his "sacred" Second Amendment rights. Instead of blaming teachers for the shortcomings of schools that experience these problems, why don't we take measures to stop the flood of firearms that children apparently have such easy access to in the first place?

Ed Moad, senior

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## WHERE I STAND

Jeff Roe  
Columnist

**Flare-up in  
North Korea  
shows lack  
of political  
opinion by  
Americans**

## Foreign policy needs attention

Hello, silent majority. Today I will return to examining political events that will affect us in the near future.

One of the topics I have not covered fully in this column is foreign policy. In my first column I spoke briefly of President Clinton's poor decision making in Somalia.

However, he followed that by making a wise decision to withdraw our troops.

The latest flare-up in North Korea has drawn my attention, as I believe everyone should be aware.

One cynical view of many politicians is that American people couldn't care less about our foreign policy.

The president has taken this same viewpoint by ignoring the Korean problem, which has reached almost the same level it achieved in the 1950s.

At that time it was ticking away like an unheard bomb, unfortunately this time it could be a nuclear bomb.

Each step in Korea's march to full nuclear capability has been met by an equal step backward by the Clinton administration.

He is treating this conflict the same

way he did with Somalia, Haiti, and until recently Bosnia. Korea might not await his decision.

A typical Clinton compromise was reached in January when Korea began to allow another international inspection of some of its suspected nuclear sites, seven of the nine sites to be exact. What this has done has allowed the Koreans to develop their nuclear arsenal while disregarding the Nuclear Nonproliferation Treaty.

Our part of the deal was to cancel joint military ventures with the South Koreans.

Operation Team Spirit (as it is code named) is an annual schedule of maneuvers held in November. This exercise is used to familiarize the two militaries with each other, so if a conflict arises our nations could fight in unison.

After North Korea refused to allow the international inspectors to even inspect some of the sites Clinton said, "North Korea cannot be allowed to develop a nuclear bomb."

But Defense Weekly now has reported North Korea is developing two new ballistic missiles, one with a range of 2,190 miles, just enough to hit American bases on

Guam. Not that North Korea would need to use them, a conventional war on the peninsula would be only slightly less lethal than a nuclear one. Seoul, with 15 million people within spitting distance of the border.

Clinton drew the line in the sand when he demanded they comply with inspections or else. Clinton, your bluff has been called again.

In order to save face for the American people, acknowledge they have the ballistics and deal with them on that basis. To continue to force nations into military deals with the threat of embargo and economic sanctions is a threat that never worked and never will. Remember Japan's response to an economic embargo, Pearl Harbor.

In this day of international entanglements and agreements, we cannot allow an event such as the one occurring on the 38th parallel to go unnoticed.

Maybe our president, who has the foreign policy experience of exchanging chickens for grain with Kansas prior to inauguration, should begin evaluating our foreign crises, and devise a foreign policy to deal with them. This is Where I Stand.

## CAMPUS

**What would you like  
to see the new city  
councilman do to  
help students and the  
University?**

"I'm just worried about off-campus housing, make sure our houses are okay for students to live. I know students who live in houses that aren't very good, run down and everything."

Kostas Kapetis,  
junior



"I would like to see him push the University to put up more lighting on the campus, because there's a lot of spots on campus that are dark. Students have tried for years to get it (lighting) up and nothing has ever been done."

Bonnie Allen,  
freshman



"I think the city of Maryville needs improve their road structure so college students don't tear up their cars getting around town."

Stacey Seider,  
freshman



"They (Maryville Police) should provide some training as far as language they use towards diversity groups. I think we are lacking that huge in this community."

Lorena Castro,  
junior



"I would like the minorities on campus to be acknowledged as part of the community and different cultures provided in the community to add a little diversity to Maryville."

Andrea Woods,  
freshman





## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### 14 Thursday

3:30 p.m. Greek Weekend Kickoff/Sing will be held at the Bell Tower.  
3:30 p.m. Computer Science Senior Seminar will be held in 102 Garrett-Strong.  
4 p.m. IFC meeting will be held in the Northwest Room.  
5 p.m. Greek Weekend Tricycle Race will be held in the Roberta Hall Circle.  
5 p.m. Greek Weekend Rocking Chair will be held in the McDonald's Parking Lot.  
5 p.m. Amnesty International meeting will be held in the Regents Room.  
5:30 p.m. Greek Weekend Canoe Race will be held at College Pond.  
6 p.m. Greek Weekend Blindfolded Canoe race will be held at College Pond.  
7:30 p.m. Comedy Club: Ben Ulin will be in the Spanish Den.  
Sophomore self-enrollment

### 15 Friday

3 p.m. Greek Weekend Competitive Games will be held at The Tundra.  
4 p.m. Greek Weekend Rocking Chair will be held in the McDonald's Parking Lot.  
4:30 p.m. Greek Weekend Chariot Race will be held in the Union Circle.  
5 p.m. Chinese Student Association meeting will be held in the Governor's Room.  
5:20 p.m. Greek Weekend Relay Race will be held by College Pond.  
5:30 p.m. Greek Weekend Chariot Race will be held at the Cardinal Inn.  
7 p.m. Greek Weekend Speaker/Mark Davis will speak in the Charles Johnson Theater.  
Freshmen self-enrollment

### 16 Saturday

2 p.m. Greek Weekend Picnic will be held at Beal Park.  
2 p.m. Greek Weekend non-competitive games will be held at Beal Park.  
3 p.m. Greek Weekend Rocking Chair will be held in the McDonald's Parking Lot.

### 17 Sunday

1:30 p.m. 5th Annual Bike Ride will begin at the Bell Tower.  
3 p.m. Kramer/Entzi Faculty Recital will be held at the Charles Johnson Theater.  
3 p.m. Greek Weekend Faculty Tea will be held at the Union Ballroom.  
6 p.m. Dollar Supper will be held at the Wesley Center.  
7 p.m. Greek Weekend Awards Ceremony will be held in the Union Ballroom.

### 18 Monday

Northwest week begins  
3 p.m. "Fun Flicks" will be held in the Spanish Den.  
3:30 p.m. Computer Science Senior Seminar will be held at 102 Garrett-Strong.  
6 p.m. Badminton captains meeting. Phillips Blacktop 3 on 3 Tourney will be held at the high rise courts.  
Freshman self-enrollment

### 19 Tuesday

9 a.m. Tower Queen elections will be held at the Union Gazebo.  
6 p.m. Tower Service Awards will be presented at the Conference Center.  
7:30 p.m. "We Can Make You Laugh" will be held at the Spanish Den.  
Student Senate applications due in the Senate Office.  
Freshman self-enrollment

### 20 Wednesday

4 p.m. Beta Sigma Phi meeting will be held in the Regents Room.  
5 p.m. Student Senate election rules meeting will be held in the Governor's Room.  
7 p.m. RHA Amateur Night will be held in the Dugout.  
Freshman self-enrollment

# Landfill stays open, fees will triple

By ANGELA TACKETT  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The landfill will remain open after a unanimous vote by the Maryville City Council.

However, keeping the landfill open has its price. The current fee for having trash removed as of June 1 will be \$56 per ton compared to the \$17.50 it is now.

The decision came almost two weeks after the council had a 4-1 vote to close the landfill. City officials said they have learned under subtitle D the cost of keeping the landfill open will be cheaper and the lifespan will be longer than expected.

Under subtitle D the state will implement the program the landfill will follow rather than the Environmental Protection Agency.

"The program the state has decided to implement is more rigid than the EPA," said Ron Franz, public works director for Maryville. "There are 76 more elements to groundwater monitoring by the state's program."

Subtitle D is broken up into three categories: closure or preparing the landfill for closure, post closure after the landfill has closed down and financial assurance monitoring. The landfill will also have to implement more rigorous ground water, gas and surface water monitoring. After the cell is closed the monitoring will have to be maintained for at least 30 years at a cost of about \$100,000 annually.

As of right now, the landfill is expected to last more than eight years with an average 50-tons of waste per day. City officials hope to

expand the lifespan of the landfill by more than eight years but this could result in high tipping fees to pay operational costs.

The city will also have to change the way recycling is handled under subtitle D. Recyclables would have to be brought to the landfill loose instead of in plastic bags. The plastic bags are said to be impractical since they are difficult to sort and the bags end up blowing all over the landfill.

"The recyclables have to be handled differently," Franz said. "We would like to have the recyclables come in loose so we can see what is coming out of the trucks. Also we would like to eliminate the plastic bags blowing all over the landfill."

After the landfill is full, it will have to be covered with three feet of clay, dirt and vegetation, then the site will have to be monitored for the next three decades.

While the landfill is being monitored, the city will have to open a transfer station. According to Franz trash would more than likely be taken to St. Joseph or Kansas City. The cost of constructing a transfer station is estimated at \$300,000.

So what does this mean for the University? According to Jeff Funston, who is operating the administration of the landfill in the absence of a city manager, keeping the landfill open means all of the recycling efforts take on an added significance.

Especially the pelletizing of recycled paper at the University. With this program, pressure is taken off the unnecessary filling of the landfill.



JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian

THE MARYVILLE LANDFILL will remain open for at least another eight years, but to combat the enormous amount of trash being dumped annually the City Council voted Monday, April 11, to increase tipping fees from \$17.50 currently to \$56 on June 1.

# NATO plans peacekeeping force of 50,000 troops

Belgium (AP) — The United States and its NATO allies have sketched out military plans calling for as many as 50,000 troops to enforce an eventual peace plan in battered Bosnia.

Under the rough blueprints, the United States would be expected to contribute about half the peacekeepers — some 25,000 air, ground and sea forces — to an operation that would police the accord among the warring factions.

Britain, France, Canada, Belgium and the Netherlands would be expected to offer troops. Russia has promised to join in. Sweden, Finland and other non-NATO nations also could take part.

Military strategists say U.S. quick reaction paratroopers based in Italy could secure airports and railroad lines within hours at various sites within the former Yugoslavia.

But it would take longer for most of the other

country's forces to be deployed.

Some 2,200 Marines stationed on vessels in the Mediterranean could be used as an amphibious force.

A dozen C-130s at Rhein-Main air base in Germany could be dispatched to carry in supplies for the peacekeepers. C-141s at bases in the United States might have to be flown in.

U.S. ground forces tagged for the mission could be drawn largely from units stationed in Germany.

The 1st Armored Division could put the first of its 350 M-1 tanks, 300 Bradley Fighting Vehicles, 1,000 trucks and 72 artillery pieces on rail cars within 10 hours, officials in Washington have said.

France already has some 4,000 troops in Bosnia helping deliver humanitarian aid, and Britain has approximately 3,300 troops.

Some say those units should be quickly reassigned to peacekeeping duties once a settlement is reached.

Peacekeepers could be called on to enforce a cease-fire among the warring factions, disarm irregular forces, secure heavy weapons, and ensure delivery of humanitarian aid.

Other tasks could include policing several thousand kilometers of external and internal borders and repairing heavily damaged bridges and other infrastructure.

The allies have dispatched about a dozen warships to the Adriatic Sea to monitor commercial ships for any goods violating a U.N. trade embargo against Serbia and Montenegro, remnants of the former Yugoslavia.

And they have sent dozens of fighter jets to enforce a U.N.-authorized no-fly zone barring flights over Bosnia by Serb warplanes.



DERRICK BARKER/Northwest Missourian

## UNIVERSITY

### Bike club to host annual ride in celebration of Earth Day

Celebrate Earth Day by joining in the Fifth Annual Bike Ride Sunday, April 17.

The Northwest Bicycling Club is sponsoring a bike ride beginning at the Bell Tower riders will travel to Pumpkin Center and return to Northwest.

The ride is approximately 25 miles in its entirety. Everyone is welcome to meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Bell Tower and ride as far as they wish.

### Local musical trio to perform works from numerous artists

A trio of local musicians who toured throughout Europe this summer will present a recital for musical fans.

Ernest Kramer and John Entzi, assistant professors of music, and Entzi's wife, Karen, will present a recital at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 17, in the Charles Johnson Theatre.

Kramer, a pianist and harpsichordist; Entzi, a trumpet specialist; and Karen Entzi, a violinist, will be featuring works from such composers as Krieser, Massenet, Corelli, Schubert, and Corbett.

There is no admission charge.

### Quad state track, field meet will be hosted by University

One of Missouri's largest high school track meets will be hosted by Northwest and assisted by Maryville R-II High School officials.

The 17th Annual Quad State Track and Field Meet will boast nearly 87 boys and girls teams from 47 high schools.

Preliminaries will be held Saturday morning, April 16, at both Rickenbrode Stadium and at the high school track. The afternoon finals will be held at Northwest.

Admission prices at Northwest are \$3 for adults and \$1 for students. There will be no charge for the morning preliminaries at the high school.

### Phi Mu to preview sorority

The sisters of Phi Mu will be having their annual preview on Monday, April 18, at 7:30 p.m. in the University Conference Center.

Any women interested in learning more about the sisterhood of Phi Mu are invited to attend. For more information contact Kelly at 562-5781.

## STATE

### Bodies of boy, mom located after killed by flash flooding

NEWBURG (AP) — Authorities recovered the bodies of a boy and his mother who were killed after flash flooding swept their car off a low-water bridge in Missouri.

The bodies of Tina Marie Watts, 29, and Joshua Cody Mullin, 3, both of Saint Robert, were found along Phelps County Road AA Sunday, April 10, said Cpl. LeRoy Tucker of the Missouri State Highway Patrol. The cause of their deaths was not released, Tucker said.

Watts' 9-year-old daughter, Christina Marie Watts, had also been in the vehicle, and found alive earlier Sunday, Tucker said. She was treated and released from a Rolla hospital, he said.

Tina Watts and her children were in the vehicle as it was swept off the bridge at Mill Creek south of Newburg during the storm that hit central and southern sections of Missouri late Saturday night and early Sunday.

### Banning smoking in capitol topic of house discussion

JEFFERSON CITY (AP) — The Missouri Capitol is discussing a proposal to ban smoking in its hallways, restrooms, elevators and public rooms.

The proposal was prompted by a complaint filed with the attorney general's office and would bring the Statehouse into compliance with federal and state health laws. The Capitol is one of the few state buildings where smoking is allowed.

### Neighbors protesting waste incinerator in nearby hospital

ST. LOUIS (AP) — A proposed medical waste incinerator is drawing fire from its next door neighbors.

The Hospital Association of Metropolitan St. Louis wants to build a \$6.8 million incinerator on a vacant lot a mile or so east of a concentration of hospitals.

The incinerator — a one-story, 17,000-square-foot building with a 110-foot-tall stack — would burn an estimated six million pounds of medical waste a year. The waste would include syringes, bandages, blood and body parts, but no fetuses or radioactive material.

Nineteen of the 41 hospitals belonging to the association are expected to join a non-profit corporation that will own and operate the hospital's incinerator.

## NATION

### Senator's decision sets up long senate leadership fight

WASHINGTON

(AP) — Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell's decision to withdraw from consideration for a Supreme Court seat ensures a long, unpredictable fight among Democrats seeking to succeed him.

Mitchell's announcement Tuesday, April 12, made it virtually certain that the Maine Democrat would not leave the Senate early, which would have precipitated a quick decision on his replacement.

### Drive-by shootings injure 3, 'South Central' movie actor

LOS ANGELES (AP) — A carload of men sprayed gunfire in two drive-by shootings, injuring four people including an actor in the movie "South Central," authorities said.

The shootings were within minutes of each other late Sunday, April 10, in the seaside community of Venice.

There were no arrests as of early Monday, April 11.

The occupants of a car first shot a man and a woman in another vehicle, then a few minutes later opened fire with a semiautomatic rifle at two men standing in front of a music store a half-mile away, police said.

One of those shot outside the store was identified as actor Byron Keith Minns.

### Traffic controller describes Federal Express air attack

MEMPHIS, Tenn. (AP) — A Federal Express cargo plane veered dangerously off-course at times as its crew fought off a man who attacked them with hammers, a knife and a spear gun, an air traffic controller said.

There were long gaps between radioed messages from the plane during the attack April 7, and sometimes the plane's microphone was on but transmitted only heavy breathing, controller Kent Fleshman said in Sunday, April 10, editions of The Commercial Appeal.

Fleshman guided the plane to a safe landing at Memphis International Airport, where it had taken off from en route to San Jose.

## WORLD

### Newspapers reject critics of teen's flogging sentence

SINGAPORE (AP) — Singapore newspapers are striking back at critics of a flogging sentence given to a U.S. teen-ager for vandalizing cars, pointing out that many Americans support the beating.

Michael P. Fay, 18, of Dayton, Ohio, was sentenced to six strokes of a rattan cane, four months in jail and a \$2,229 fine after he pleaded guilty to spraying paint and tossing eggs at cars.

The sentence has not been carried out. The Dayton Daily News reported last week that of about 3,000 calls to the newspaper about the matter, nearly three-fourths expressed approval of the lashing.

### Chinese company executive executed for bond scheme

BEIJING (AP) — The president of a Chinese company involved in an illegal bond scheme was executed as an example of the government's resolve in cracking down on corruption.

Shen Taifu, 39, president of the Great Wall Machinery and Electronics High-Tech-Technology Industrial Group Corp., was put to death on charges of embezzlement and bribery, the official Xinhua News Agency said. The money involved totaled \$373,500.

His wife, Sun Jihong, company vice president and head of the accounting department, was given a 15-year sentence.

### Foreign mediators discuss resolving country's dispute

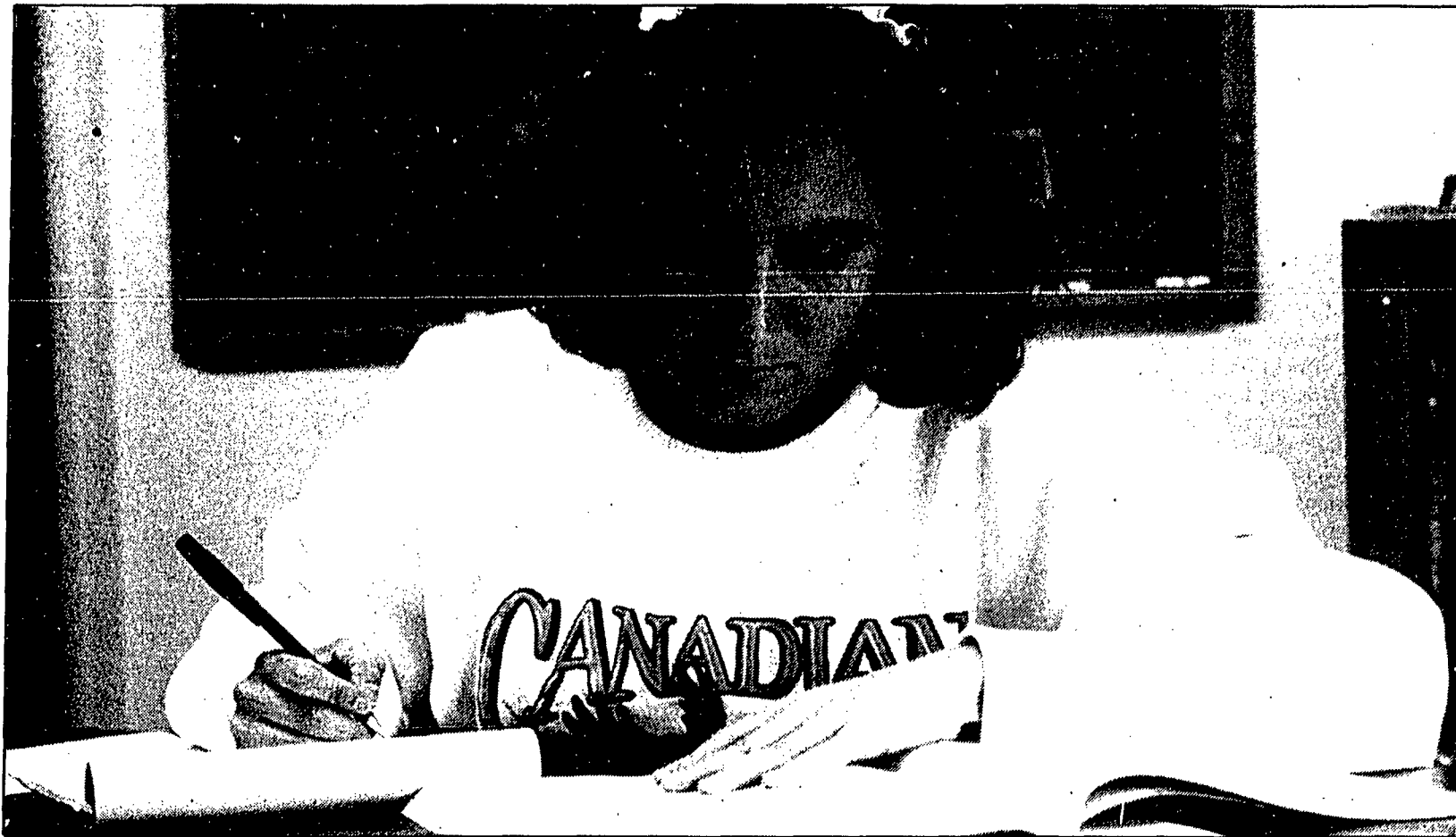
JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Seven foreign mediators, including former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger and former British Foreign Secretary Lord Carrington, were named to try to resolve South Africa's constitutional dispute.

The mediation, agreed to by the African National Congress and Zulu nationalist Inkatha Freedom Party, is considered the last chance to end Inkatha's boycott of the nation's first all-race election this month.

Political violence linked to the election and the Inkatha-ANC dispute threatens fair voting in the KwaZulu black homeland.

A state of emergency declared March 31, has failed to halt the bloodshed.

More than 150 people have been killed since the Natal emergency declaration.



DANA SCHNEIDER TAKES advantage of individual study time at Colbert Hall. Schneider is a student in the Adult Basic Education program offered on the Northwest campus. The ABE program is taught this semester by three Northwest humanities faculty members.

## ABE offers humanities course

By FAY DAHLQUIST  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The Adult Basic Education program is offering a humanities course along with helping students brush up on math, English, reading comprehension, and study skills, for the past two school years.

According to ABE Director Linda Stephens, the purpose of the program is to provide continuing educational opportunities to adults who are 16 years of age or older who are not currently in high school.

"A large percentage of our adults have not graduated from high school," Stephens said. "So we are here to help them prepare to take the Graduate Equivalency Diploma."

The ABE also works with high school graduates who have been out of school for some time and want return to an educational setting.

Dana Schneider is an adult student in the program preparing to take her GED. Schneider is continuing her education to become a nurse.

"If I was not able to get my GED or go back to school then I would not be able to advance in what I want to do," Schneider said. "Each one of us has our

own private room to sit in so that enables you to concentrate by yourself or be off by yourself and if you need someone you can usually go out and say 'I need some help.'"

In order to give the adult students a broader educational perspective, the humanities course will bring a new perspective as well as increase literacy.

"We felt strongly that our adults had the desire to increase their knowledge of classical literature and many of them had been exposed to a lot of it during their school years," Stephens said. "If they had been exposed, I don't think they really understood the underlying meanings of classical literature/classical writings."

The ABE program attempts to have one program per semester. Each semester, the program writes a grant for which they have three Northwest humanities scholars provide six hour long sessions.

The ABE is free for students and it is sponsored by the Missouri Humanities Council and the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The humanities scholars chosen for the spring semester are Fred Lamer, mass communications instructor; Esther Winter, English instructor; and

Joel Benson, history/humanities professor.

The scholars have discussed several readings this semester, including "Moby Dick," "The Odyssey," "Animal Farm," and "Time Machine." But students are not required to sit in the humanities sessions.

"It was flattering to be asked," Winter said. "I think initially it was unnerving because it is not in a typical classroom."

Along with the volunteer humanities teachers, Northwest students also volunteer to the help the ABE students.

Human environmental sciences student Michelle Rogers is working with the ABE program as an intern, but will volunteer to work after completing her internship hours.

"I am not going to be a teacher but I am doing the internship with this department to gain some experience with a lower level of education community members," Rogers said.

Stephens points out that students leave with an added appreciation of classical literature.

After the humanities course is completed, students are allowed to take the books they studied home, in hopes of enhancing family literacy.

## Senator withdraws, devotes time to farm

Sen. Glen Klippenstein said decision not to run revolves around family

By KARISSA BONEY  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

State Rep. Sam Graves, Tarkio, filing for a political opportunity by jumping into the race for U.S. Senate when Sen. Glen Klippenstein withdrew his bid last week.

After weighing a tough decision between family, business and constituents, Klippenstein pulled out of the race for re-election.

Although it was a difficult situation and tough decision, he decided more time needed to be devoted to his family and business.

"I had to come to the realization that I had to make a decision; family and business for prioritization had to be first," Klippenstein said. "It was a hard decision; I love northwest Missouri and I had to separate my head from my heart."

Klippenstein said he would miss the political aspect of his life but hoped to still have some future involvement.

"While making a living for myself and family surely (there will still be) opportunities to devote to society," he said.

Shortly after Klippenstein withdrew, Graves made a last-minute decision to enter the race.

"I just felt it was an opportunity I could not pass up," Graves said. "It was never expected but I felt the need to jump at the chance and do everything I can to be successful. If I'm successful in getting elected it would help out a lot in our area particularly."

Although running for Senate was not something Graves had recently been thinking about, he said it was not un-

common for such unexpected opportunities in politics.

"I had not thought a lot about it," he said. "I was concentrating on legislative work; I had thought maybe later on. With politics, opportunity just jumps out of nowhere and you have to be ready."

David McLaughlin, associate professor of government, said it would be a challenging race for Graves.

"Graves had to make a quick decision and time will tell if it was a wise one...." McLaughlin said. "He will be running against a strong Democrat; he would have faced an easier race in State Representative than Senate."

Graves was ready for the challenge of Senate with his plans and focuses set out.

"I will focus on agriculture," he said. "It is the backbone of this district and the No. 1 industry; agriculture is the key. But ideas need to come from within, I intend to do all I can to help with resources."

One of Graves' key concerns is with production. He plans to work toward in-state production, by shipping out cornflakes and porkchops instead of just corn and hog.

Graves is also concerned about population loss over the last 90 years. Although cities such as Maryville had seen an increase, Nodaway County had suffered a noticeable loss.

"No matter what, in district, education, economic development, (or) agriculture every problem tied back to population," Graves said.

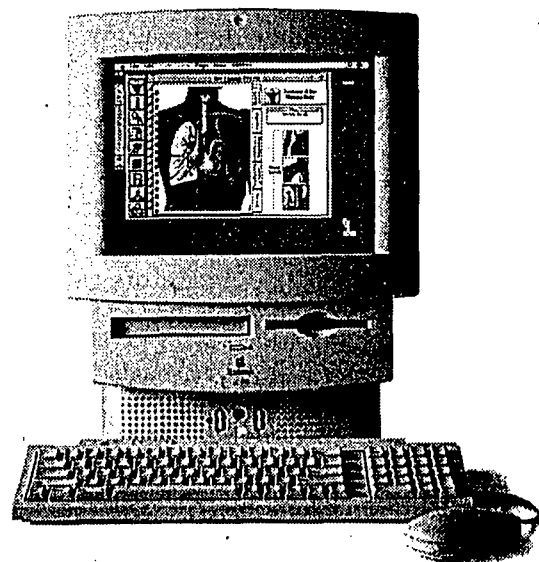


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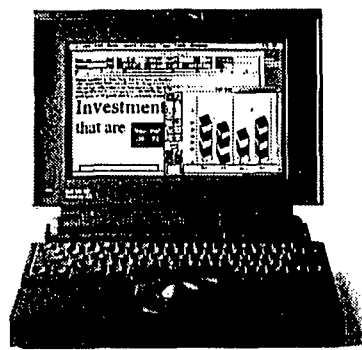
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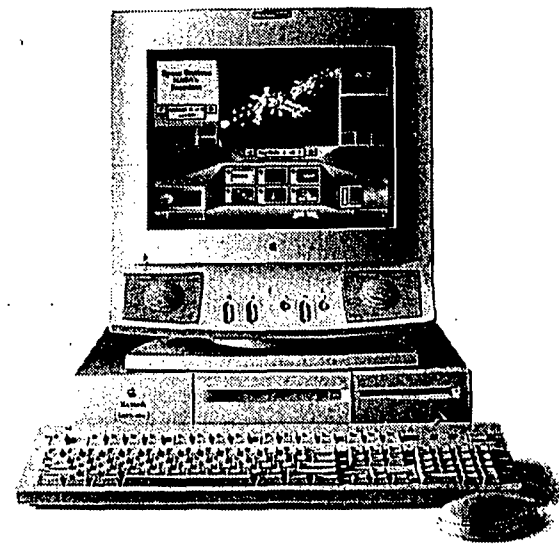
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## AWARDS & RECOGNITIONS

### Biology department announces 2 honor graduates

Bill Bobo, Maryville, and Jennifer Sortor, Manchester, Mo., have been named the 1993-94 biology department honor graduates.

The biology honor graduates are selected on the basis of academic achievement, professional promise, leadership, extra-curricular activities and University citizenship.

Patrick Wynne, professor of biology and coordinator of the department's awards program, said Bobo has been accepted into the University of Missouri—Columbia School of Medicine for enrollment next fall.

Wynne announced that Sara Hake, Grand Island, Neb., is the 1994 recipient of the Fred C. and Grace E.K. Nelson Scholarship that was established by the Nelson family and first awarded during the 1990-91 academic year.

The Nelson Scholarship is based upon academic achievement and interest in a career in medicine or dentistry as well as junior class standing and financial need.

Also awarded, Wynne said, was the Irene Mueller Scholarship to Matt Nowland, Jamesport, Mo. The recipient is judged upon academic achievement, promise of professional excellence and character. The recipient must also have completed 45 academic hours at Northwest with at least 12 hours being in the field of biology.

The Mueller Scholarship was first awarded during the 1984-85 academic year.

### Student becomes finalist in photography contest

Jon Britton, a junior journalism major from Gilbert, Iowa, has received word he is a finalist in Photographer's Forum's 14th Annual College Photography Contest.

The annual contest is co-sponsored by Nikon.

More than 17,500 entries were submitted from students in the United States and Canada. Winning images (first through fourth place) will be published in the May issue of Photographer's Forum magazine and will be displayed at the Nikon House in New York City.

Britton is a 1991 graduate of Gilbert Community Schools. At Northwest, he has worked as a photographer and editor on the *Northwest Missourian*, *Tower* yearbook and *Heartland View* magazine, all of which are student publications.

## Forensics showcases success

### Speakers preparing presentations, entertain audiences at showing

By JODI O'HAIR  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

At the 1994 Forensic Showcase, "The Night Before Nationals," on Thursday, April 7, the forensics team had a chance to prepare for their national tournament.

"I liked the way the speeches pertained to real life experiences," Tacey Bell, sophomore, said. "As college students, we could really relate to them."

The assistant director of the forensics team, Jeff Przybylo, explained to the audience what forensics is about, and what they accomplish.

Then Annette Weymuth, the executive assistant to the president, discussed the importance of forensics for the future use of students who become involved.

The first presentation was a duet interpretation by Neil Neumeyer and Shawn Bechtol.

They discussed conflicts that brought friends closer together.

Following the duet, Tisha Tapia gave an informative speech on spinal

cord injuries and some newly developed treatments being offered for the disease.

"I didn't know what to expect, but I was very impressed with the program," Carrie Wilcox, sophomore, said. "It was really entertaining and impressive."

Al Atkins and Mary Moore presented a duet interpretation.

They talked about finding out she was pregnant and the decision of abortion.

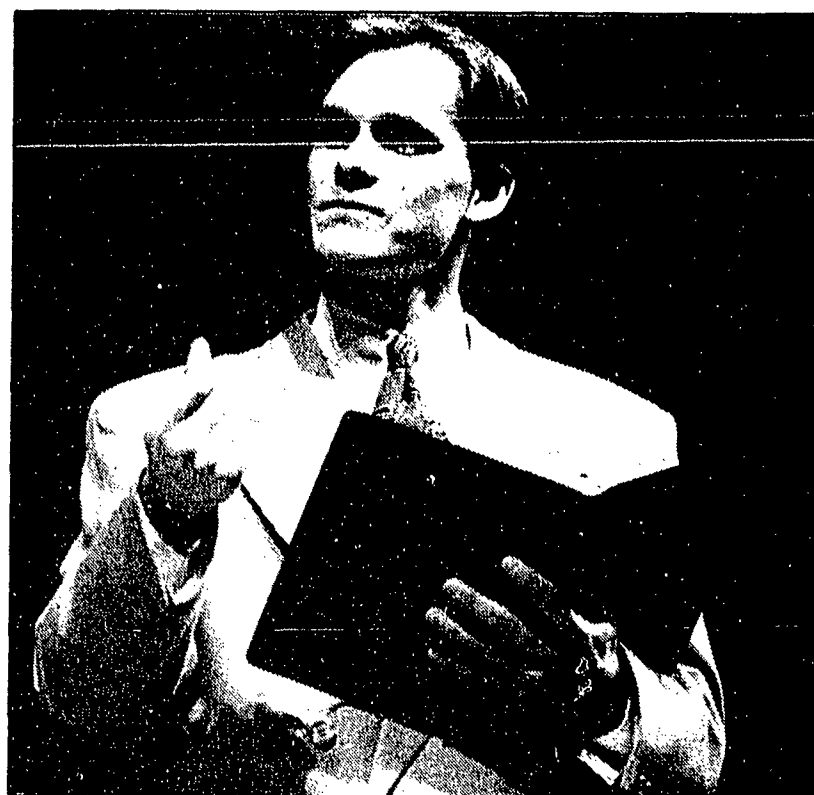
The preservation of small towns was the next topic discussed as the showcase continued with Shawn Bechtol's After Dinner Speech.

"I think the showcase was a wonderful success," Moore said. "The turnout was phenomenal and I believe we put on a very entertaining program."

Then Al Atkins "persuaded" the audience to become more aware of the Hantavirus Pulmonary Syndrome caused by deer mice, because of the danger related to it.

Jim Ulvestad presented the finale with a poetry interpretation on neofuturism.

The team will travel to the national tournament that will be held at Western Kentucky University April 12-18.



SARAH ELLIOTT/Northwest Missourian

A POETRY INTERPRETATION is presented by Jim Ulvestad, sophomore. Ulvestad was one of several forensic team members who will be taking part in a national tournament at Western Kentucky University.

## New activities enhance Northwest Week

By CHRIS TRIEBSCH  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Despite the last minute cancellation of Amateur night, this year's Northwest week appears to be better than ever with the addition of new events and activities, according to the event's coordinators.

The week of entertainment is scheduled to begin Monday, April 18, with Fun Flicks.

"Fun Flicks is really hot in demand," said Heidi Gehman, president of Campus Activities Programmers. "When we did those surveys earlier in the year, people wrote on them to bring Fun Flicks back because they did not realize that Fun Flicks was already coming and that really made us happy because every survey we have done has said to bring Fun Flicks back."

Fun Flicks will take place in the Spanish Den from 3 - 9 p.m.

It involves video cameras and monitors taping students and adding background and images to it. Participants also get to keep their own copy. Hall Improvement Day is also planned for Monday.

"We Can Make You Laugh" is scheduled for

Tuesday, April 19, at 7:30 p.m. in the Spanish Den. Money and T-Shirts will be awarded to participants who can keep from laughing for three minutes.

The Residence Hall Association had planned an Amateur Night for Wednesday, April 20, but it was cancelled due to lack of time and publicity.

The majority of activities begin Thursday, April 21, with "Spring Spirit Fest 1994," which will include sumo wrestling, the Velcro wall, human bowling, organizational booths and a Student Faculty Hog Roast planned by Student Senate.

"The Hog Roast will be going on in front of the Bell Tower right during the carnival," Gehman said. "It's free food, so you can't beat that. I think when students smell the free food they will be flocking and once they get there they will also see the carnival."

In the past, Senate has had a Student Faculty Tea, but the Hog Roast is taking its place.

"We wanted to have something different to get more people to participate," said Trent Skaggs, Student Senate president. "We also wanted to get more participation at the carnival."

Student organization booths will be open from 4 - 6 p.m. by the Bell Tower. These booths will include

face painting, snacks and a Hershey's Kisses Kissing Booth.

Gehman said the carnival will be on a small level, but it should be fun. She also said there will be real carnival prizes and booths. Each booth will set its own prices.

Also being planned for Thursday is the Fishheads, performing on the Union Patio at 8 p.m. The Hog Roast will take place from 4 - 6 p.m. The events for this day will be moved to the Conference Center if it rains.

"With anything you plan, there is going to be a certain percentage that will be totally excited and there will be a certain percentage that does not even know it is going on," Gehman said.

RHA is having a "Shake, Rattle and Bowl" on Thursday, April 22, from midnight to 3 a.m. at Bearcat Lanes. The cost is \$3.

Other activities of the week include a 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament, sponsored by Phillips Hall and a 6-on-6 co-ed Volleyball Tournament sponsored by Millikan Hall. Various Earth Week activities are also being planned, including a recycling awareness day where students will compete.

## 'Coming out' integral

►SERIES from page 1

Society is beginning to accept more aspects of homosexuality. With a more open-minded society, it is much easier for gay men and women to "come out."

"If someone would have told me two years ago that I would be openly gay today, I would never have believed them," Richard, junior, said. "I would have thought they were crazy."

Another stage in the process of "coming out" is telling parents. For many this is the most difficult, because most people rely heavily on the support of their parents.

"I haven't told my mother, but she knows," Jeff, freshman, said. "She's afraid to ask, and I am afraid to tell her. There was twice when she said, 'If you're gay, I don't want to know.'"

Other homosexuals have told their parents and found they do lose some of the aspects of the relationship.

However, they said they still believe it was important.

"They prefer not to have to think about it," Richard said. "I think they still have trouble with that, but we're working through it. My relationship with them will never be the same again, but it seems to be continually getting better. I guess it just needs time."

Being open with parents is not the only step in "coming out," Jeremy said. Telling friends is often just as important.

"In the time before you tell anyone, it seems like you don't accept your homosexuality," Jeremy said. "Every day you grow more open with it, the better you can accept it and yourself."

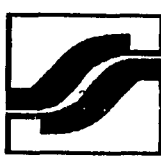
Time is important in acquiring the self-confidence of telling others about their homosexuality. It is a process of steps, Jeremy said.

"I remember the first time I told someone, I was unbelievably paranoid," Jeremy said. "It was the hardest thing I've ever done. But after you take the chance in confiding in someone, it gets easier every time after that."

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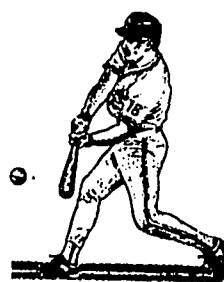
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## Journalists receive 52 national, state awards



JON BRITTON/Contributing Photographer

JUNIOR JODI PULS, co-editor in chief of the *Northwest Missourian*, receives an award for the *Missourian* at the Missouri College Media Association annual convention held April 8-9.

By REGINA BRUNTMEYER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Through long hours of hard work and dedication, students earned the recognition they deserved.

Students working on *Tower* yearbook, *Heartland View* and *Northwest Missourian* received 52 awards.

"I'm very proud of our student publications and believe the awards are very much deserved," said John Jasinski, mass communication department chair.

The Missouri Collegiate Media Association's convention was held April 8-9 in Cape Girardeau.

*Tower* yearbook received 14 awards. *Tower* won first place for Overall Theme Development. Jon Britton, junior, won first and second in Sports Photography and second in Feature Photography. Antonino Miceli, senior, won third place in Feature Photography. In Feature Writing, Karissa Boney, junior, won first, Steve Rhodes and Lisa Renze, graduates, won second, and Fay Dahlquist, senior, won third. Renze also received second for Personality Sketch. Angela Tackett, junior, received first and second for Student Life Page Design and first in Sports Page Design. Dennis Esser, sophomore, won second for Portrait Page Design.

The *Northwest Missourian* won 12 awards at the MCMA convention.

The *Missourian* received third in Best Overall Newspaper, first in Special Supplement or Section, second in Page One Design and third in Feature Page. Christy Spagna, sophomore, won in Feature Writ-

ing, and Roger Hughlett, senior, won in Entertainment Review. Scott Pummell, sophomore, won second in News Writing, and Jack Vaught, junior, won second in News Photography. Derrick Barker, sophomore; Teresa Hobbs, senior; and Kris Underwood, senior, received third in Sports Page Design. Underwood also won third in Sports Column. Scott Englert, sophomore, won third in Sports Writing, and Don Carrick, graduate, won third in Sports Photography.

Pummell was also elected to serve as the 1994-95 vice president of the MCMA.

Earlier in March, students received national Gold Circle Awards at the Columbia Scholastic Press Association's convention in New York.

"It should open eyes when Northwest got the most awards of any university in the recent CSPS Gold Circle Awards," said Laura Widmer, student publications adviser.

*Tower* received a certificate of merit for Theme Selection and Development. Tackett won two firsts for Opening and Closing Spread Design and Division Page Design, and she also received a certificate of merit in Student Life Spread.

"It's great that students can get recognized for all their hard work and dedication," said Boney, editor-in-chief of the *Tower*.

The *Missourian* walked away with seven awards from the CSPS convention.

The *Missourian* was awarded a certificate of merit for Overall Design, Broadsheet. Barker and Underwood received a second for Sports Page Design, Broadsheet Open With No Ads. Barker also received five awards in Information Graphics. He won first in Maps, second in Portfolio and Bar Charts, third in Diagrams and won a certificate of merit for Tabular or Pull-Out Boxes.

"When you look at awards, Northwest is one of the stronger programs in the United States," Widmer said.

Northwest's magazine, *Heartland View*, won 13 of the awards.

The *Heartland View* staff won first in Overall Design for Visual Categories and third for Title and Contents Page. In Spread Design, Tackett won second, and Esser and Patrick Mahoney, graduate, won certificates of merit. In Typography, Tackett won second, Esser won third and Suzan Matherne, graduate, won a certificate of merit. In Photography, Britton won third for black and white, third and a certificate of merit for two or more colors and second for portfolio of work. Todd Weddle, junior, won first for two or more colors.

"Overall, it's a validation of our quality," Jasinski said. "We need to be very proud of the opportunities we allow our students to have."

### Total Awards

- ✓ 20 awards for *Tower* yearbook.
- ✓ 19 awards for the *Northwest Missourian*.
- ✓ 13 awards for *Heartland View*.

## Lecture series presents multicultural topics

By RUBY DITTMER  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Pretending to give his last lecture ever, Joel Benson, professor of history/humanities, spoke Tuesday, April 12, of multiculturalism and asked who we are.

"The truly vital essential question in life is all the same. Where am I going? What am I doing here?" Benson said.

Sponsored by the Newman Council, the lecture series asks student-chosen professors to present a lecture as if it was the last lecture they were to give.

Benson said that answering the questions, "Why are you here" and "What are your hopes and dreams," were the University's job to provide the answer.

"That's not what all this information that we keep pouring at you is all about," Benson said. "That's all data. The names and dates and formulas, that's the data, and it's up to you to find out where you're going."

Benson asked the audience about what role they were going to play in the drama of life.

"Modern society has made that a very, very complicated question," Benson said.

Benson said the answers to all of those questions cannot be found in computers.

"Our hearts hold hopes and dreams that time and space cannot ignore. Possibilities are not found in our cellular phones and CD players; they are found in a knowledge," Benson said.

According to Benson, long before history, became the memorization of textbooks, the elders of the tribes were the guardians of the past and each tribe had its own story.

Benson also spoke of the Passover and the Haggadah, the feature ceremony celebrated by Jews at Easter.

The Haggadah is the retelling of the Exodus, the delivery of the Jewish people from slavery.

"The story tells them who they are and where they came from, it therefore tells them where they are going," Benson said.

Benson said there is a westernization of the world.

When people in Russia are ordering Big Macs and Chinese students are forced to speak English, westernization is happening.

"Over the last 500 years it has been primarily the people of Western Europe and the United States who have provided the substance of the modern world," Benson said.

world," Benson said.

Benson said multiculturalism is all about those questions, "Who am I and Where am I going."

"Questions cross all cultural boundaries; cultural diversity is not found in the question. We all ask the same questions it's found in the quality of the answers," Benson said.

It's hard to know our own story because it constantly changes, Benson said, and most are surprised when they hear their own story. Benson also said most people do not want to hear that myths about history are not true, and people do not want to know about slavery. Benson said people want to believe their story is better than anyone else's and they want to be treated to their advantage.

Benson said even our story is not the same as other peoples, we still are the same and that this is the paradox for the future—what role we play.

He concluded his speech by saying: "The question remains: where are you



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DURING THE LAST Lecture Series, Joel Benson, professor of history/humanities, asks the student audience to question why they are there.

going and in order to find out, first you must find out where you have been," Benson said.

Heather Hughes, sophomore, said she attended the lecture because Benson is one of the best story tellers.

Benson said he decided to speak on this topic because at his church they

had a satar meal and it made him start to think about the past.

Michael Maher, the Catholic Campus minister and director of the Newman House, said the Last Lecture Series is an annual event in which students choose professors to give a lecture as if it was their last.

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THE INTERNATIONAL CULTURE club from Missouri Valley College performed a traditional Samoan dance at the 14th Annual International Students Organization's dinner and cultural show, Saturday, April 9.

## Dinner reflects cultures

International Students Organization brought people, countries together

By FAY DAHLQUIST  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

"One World, One People" was the theme of this year's International Students Organization's annual cultural dinner on Saturday, April 9.

According to ISO President Daisy Semu, senior, there was great debate about the theme.

Putting on the show consisted of many people from all different countries they wanted to show and this had to be reflected in the themes.

The organization decided to symbolize many people coming together from several different countries.

"To show that the show is unity," Miki Tokunaga. "We are from different countries. We make up a show of all different cultures. The theme tries to show what the show is all about."

An audience of approximately 250 people, which mainly

consisted of community members were treated to food and entertained by 14 different skits performed by international students. Each skit expressed something unique about a culture. Students from Japan, the Czech Republic and Samoa presented skits about their cultures.

ISO also invited groups from Missouri Valley College and Iowa Wesleyan College to perform skits. Semu said the entertainment let the different cultures share not only dishes from their homeland but to share a dance.

"I think it was a great experience especially for those that had never seen it before," Alejandro Ching, assistant professor of agriculture, said.

"We are here learning not only the school but at the same time learning the American way," Semu said. "We thought it would be neat for Americans to learn our ways."

Because the dinner and show are not a fund-raiser, members of ISO asked several business in the community to donate money or food.

Denise Ottinger, dean of students, Kent Porterfield, assistant to dean of students, and the Multicultural Affairs board also helped ISO with the dinner expenses.

## Weight club fights eviction, requests support from Senate

North Complex forces organization to relocate, wants space for lounge

By SARA MEYERS  
CHIEF REPORTER

The Northwest Weight Club might be lifting its equipment out of Cooper Hall after they were served an eviction notice to move from North Complex.

Student Senate was approached by the Northwest Weight Club asking for its support in opposing the move from Cooper Hall.

"The Northwest Weight Club would like to oppose being moved from its current location in Cooper Hall," said Paul Stoll, treasurer of the Northwest Weight Club. "However, if an agreement cannot be reached we would like the University's support in finding a new location for the club."

The hall director from North Complex was also present at the Senate meeting Tuesday, April 12, to give the reasons behind the weight club being evicted.

"It's time for the residents to be able to use their hall," Matt Baker, hall director, said. "I think the weight club needs a place also, but the space in Cooper is limited and the residents should be able to use it for what they want."

The area the Northwest Weight Club occupies now will be turned into a lounge for the residents of North Complex.

"That area is going to be turned into a lounge with an air hockey table, a pool table, a television and couches," Baker said. "We want a bigger space for students to congregate."

Baker kept a count of how many times the equipment to the pool table already in North Complex had been utilized.

Between Feb. 1 and March 15, the key to the pool table had been checked out a total of 17 times.

"Just because one person checks out the equipment doesn't mean that only one person used it," Andy Scott, senator, said. "No one plays pool by themselves, there is usually two or three people, so the actual number of



CHRIS TUCKER/Contributing Photographer

PAUL STOLL, TREASURER of the Northwest Weight Club, tells of the club's opposition to being evicted from Cooper Hall. North Complex has been planning to turn the area into a lounge for the residents.

people using the equipment could be at least 51."

Kevin Shaw, secretary of the Northwest Weight Club, raised the argument that more people used the area as a weight room than would use it as a lounge.

"We have probably more than 100 people coming in and out of the weight room everyday," Shaw said.

Baker reminded Senate that North Complex rented the space in Cooper Hall to the Northwest Weight Club on the basis of contract.

"It's a contractual agreement," Baker said. "They pay us rent for that space."

The Northwest Weight Club said it is depending on the University to provide a new space for their equipment.

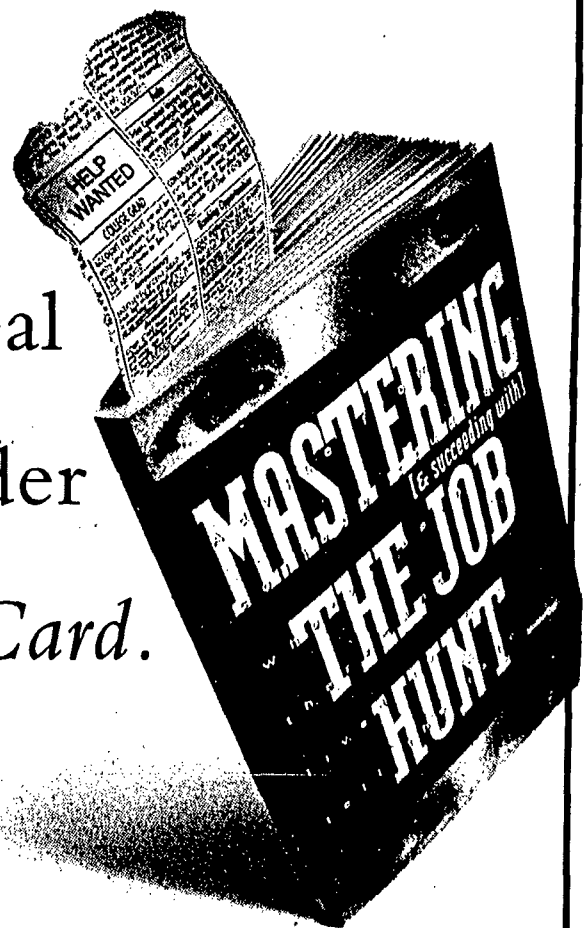
"We own the equipment," Stoll said. "If we don't find a new place on campus we will have to put it in storage."

The weight club will be talking to Wayne Viner, residential life coordinator, to see what he can do about the group's arrangement. He is going to try to find a place for them.

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## OFF THE BENCH

### Pro sports need court to make crucial decisions

What sports needs is a supreme court — a ruling body to decide on the crucial issues plaguing professional athletics.

Politics and economics control every professional sports team; thus, a high court, where members are approved by owners and appointed by the president of the United States, would best serve the industry.

The court would be made up of nine justices. They would meet twice during the year for three-week sessions.

The court would offer solutions to problems such as the designated hitter and the two-point conversion and also take care of any salary arbitrations (that is if they decide to keep arbitration around).

The court would be located centrally. Kansas City or Topeka, Kan. are two top prospects, or maybe it could be in Maryville — if the Stroller thinks this would be a prime location for the Olympics, why not the supreme court of sports?

Justices would be nominated and approved based upon their experience with the industry, and like the Supreme Court, they would not serve terms but are life-long members. This stops the corruption, which would ensue if they had to be re-elected.

Owners, coaches and fans would be able to bring cases to the court. Lawyers are optional, and Don King is banned. The court will be unable to handle criminal cases, but has the option to give life suspensions from sports.

Speaking of life suspensions, the first case this court should hear is Pete Rose's. It would be in the hands of this court to decide whether or not Charlie Hustle is to ever make it into the Baseball Hall of Fame.

It is necessary to remember that when Rose launched his 4,152 hit everyone thought he was a sure-thing for the Hall of Fame. Now, his name just lies in the record books, and could be forgotten if the court refuses to take a stance.

#### Justice Mantle and Ali?

Let's say this supreme court of sports gets set up today — who are top candidates for justices? Actually, Senate majority leader George Mitchell might not be a bad choice.

He's already top candidate for the real Supreme Court and his name has also been thrown around for commissioner of Major League Baseball. However, I think he could serve both organizations better on the high court of sports.

Mickey Mantle is another top candidate, as long as he can recover from his alcohol problem. In fact, this could be the type of position to help straighten out the former Yankee.

What about the sound of Chief Justice Ali? He has definitely lost a few marbles over the year, but his service to sports would make him an asset on this court.

It's time to realize sports is a business. This court would not only be able to handle business questions for teams and athletes, but also solve problems fans have recognized for years. This would let the court decide.

Some cases I would like to bring to the court deal with sportscasters, yes they too are in judgments of the court. Dan Deirdorf does not belong in a broadcast booth, and I personally will bring a case against ABC to get him out of there.

The former St. Louis Cardinal lineman — that's right he played for them before they moved to Arizona, but not before they sucked — deserves to do commentary as much as Magic Johnson or Joe Namath.

A lot of things will change with this court, and most of it for the better.

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## PLAYER WATCH

### Jody Doetker

**Class:** Freshman  
**Hometown:** Lincoln, Neb.  
**(Waverly HS)**  
**Major:** Psychology

#### This season's stats:

In the Bearcat Invitational during the outdoor season, cleared a meet record of 5-6 provisionally qualifying for the NCAA Division II meet. Placed third in the high jump during the MIAA Indoor Conference Championships. Also provisionally qualified for the NCAA Division II indoor meet.



**Shane Whitaker**  
Associate Editor

## 'Cats improve to 3-0 in MIAA

**Women raise record; Julie Caputo returns to lineup with victory**

By **MATTHEW BREEN**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The spring rains may have washed out a few of the matches to be played by the Northwest men's and women's tennis teams, but they could not quench their thirst for competition.

The women's team upped their MIAA conference mark to 3-0 on the season as they crushed Emporia State University, 9-0 on Tuesday, April 12.

The match with Emporia marked the return of senior Julie Caputo to the Bearcat lineup. Caputo, who had been sidelined with wrist tendonitis, played in the No. 3 position for the 'Cats.

Junior Lucy Caputo, Julie's sister and fellow team member was especially happy about her return.

"I was so excited to see her back," Lucy said. "I think I was more nervous about her match than I was about mine."

Both Caputo sisters easily captured respective singles and doubles victories in the win.

In the NCAA Division II Midwest Regional at Colorado Springs, Colo., Northwest came away with a 1-2 record including losses to the University of Northern Colorado and Ferris State University.

On Friday, April 8, the Bearcats fell victim to Ferris State, 5-1.

Northwest's only match win came

courtesy of Lucy Caputo. The 'Cats No. 1 player outlasted Tammy Greiner in three sets, 6-2, 3-6 and 7-5. Caputo bettered her overall mark to 10-7.

Northwest was just as overwhelmed in a loss to Northern Colorado, 6-0, on Thursday, April 7.

The Bearcats failed to take a single set from Northern Colorado in the match and brought their overall record for the season to 12-4.

But the 'Cats did manage a 6-0 victory against Mankato State University in their opening match of the NCAA Division II Midwest Regional on Thursday, April 7.

All six of the Bearcat starters made quick work of Mankato State, dominating their lineup and not dropping a single set all match long.

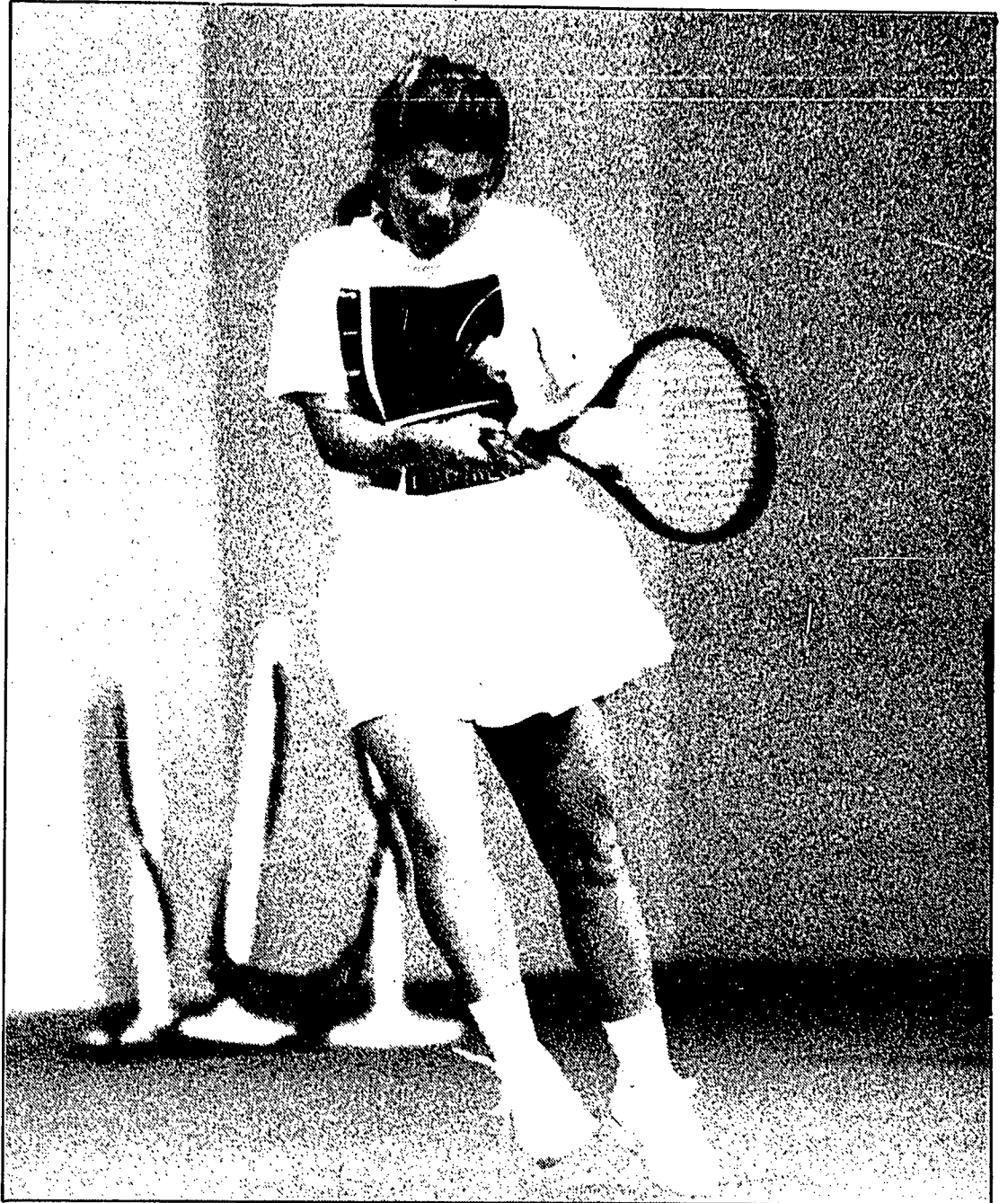
Freshman Maria Groumoutis and sophomore Andi Schneider had impressive showings in singles play by beating their respective opponents, 6-1 and 6-0.

The men's team, which saw action in only one match over the last week, due to inclement weather, defeated the University of Minnesota-Duluth, 5-1, on Wednesday, April 13.

#### PREVIEW

The women's team will next see action against fellow MIAA conference member, Washburn University, on Wednesday, April 20, in Maryville.

The men's team will play host to Graceland College (Iowa) and the University of Missouri-Rolla on Saturday, April 16.



**JACK VAUGHT/Northwest Missourian**

**NO. 4 SINGLES PLAYER** Andi Schneider, sophomore, uses a backhand to return a serve to her Emporia State University opponent Kerl Fitzpatrick. Schneider defeated Fitzpatrick 6-2, 6-2, adding to Northwest's 9-0 win. The dual win brought Northwest's overall record to 13-5.

## Softball moves into 2nd place in MIAA North

By **KRISSY SPARKS**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

The softball team took a pair of MIAA games from Missouri Western State College and Central Missouri State University Wednesday, April 13 in Shawnee Kan. The Bearcats took the first game from the Lady Griffons 5-3 and won their second game 5-4 from the Jennies.

The pair of wins moves the Bearcats to second place in the North Division with a 3-1 record trailing Emporia State University who leads with a 4-0 mark.

The Bearcats went 6-2 last weekend, beating Washburn University in a MIAA North Division game and taking second place in the invitational tournament held Friday, April 8, and Saturday, April 9, at Beal Park.

After winning five straight games cruising into the championship game, Northwest lost Saturday to a team they had beaten earlier in the tournament. The University of Missouri-Rolla Lady Miners overcame a four-run deficit, with a six-run sixth inning, to beat the Bearcats 6-4.

"I think we played good for five innings, but we just had a breakdown," said sophomore pitcher Kristi Sweeney. "We can't be down just because of that."

Sophomore first baseman Melinda Madison believes it was a game they could have won.

"We just lost focus and didn't play up to our potential," said Madison.

Northwest started out the day by crushing Lincoln University, 11-1. The game was highlighted by a 10-run second inning that saw 13 Northwest batters come to the plate. Bearcat pitcher, Kelly Matthews, junior, allowed six hits and no earned runs while walking two and striking out three.

The 'Cats won their way to the finals in Saturday's second game by edging out Northeast 3-1. Sweeney, improved her record to 5-4, giving up eight hits, one earned run, walking two and striking out one.

Northwest went three-for-three in the opening rounds of the tournament on Friday. Despite a first-inning lead by Baker University in the first game, Northwest came back strong to score five runs in the next five innings, holding Baker, and winning the game 6-1. The second game went just as well for the

Bearcats. Northwest took a two-run lead in the first inning and scored again in the fifth to beat Peru State University 3-1. Pitcher Lori Campbell, senior, held Peru to only one run.

Northwest then defeated Rolla, 6-1. Sweeney allowed only one earned run, five hits, four walks and struck out three.

"Our hitting came around, and being at our home field with family and friends helped; it finally came together," said catcher Sandy Larson, freshman.

Northwest hosted Washburn and Emporia on Thursday, April 7.

In the first game, Northwest defeated Washburn 7-3. Third baseman Karen Hogel, freshman, tied a Northwest single-game record in the game by going four-for-four at the plate. Hogel had three singles and a triple, scoring three runs and driving in one.

In the second game Emporia edged the 'Cats 4-2. Northwest scored its only two runs in the first inning.

#### PREVIEW

The Bearcats will travel to the Missouri Western Invitational in St. Joseph. The 'Cats are scheduled to play three games on Saturday, and two on Sunday.

**"Our hitting came around, and being at our home field with family and friends helped; it finally came together."**

**Sandy Larson**  
freshman catcher

## Rain hampers scheduled play

**Baseball splits with Rockhurst; Emporia visits this weekend**

By **BOB JARRETT**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Several postponements have kept the Bearcats off the field for the last week. They have played only two games since the Monday, April 4 loss to Missouri Western State College. On Thursday, April 7, at Bearcat Field they split a pair of games with Rockhurst College.

In the early game Thursday, junior pitcher Brent Goheen earned his first win with a complete game victory over the Rockhurst Hawks.

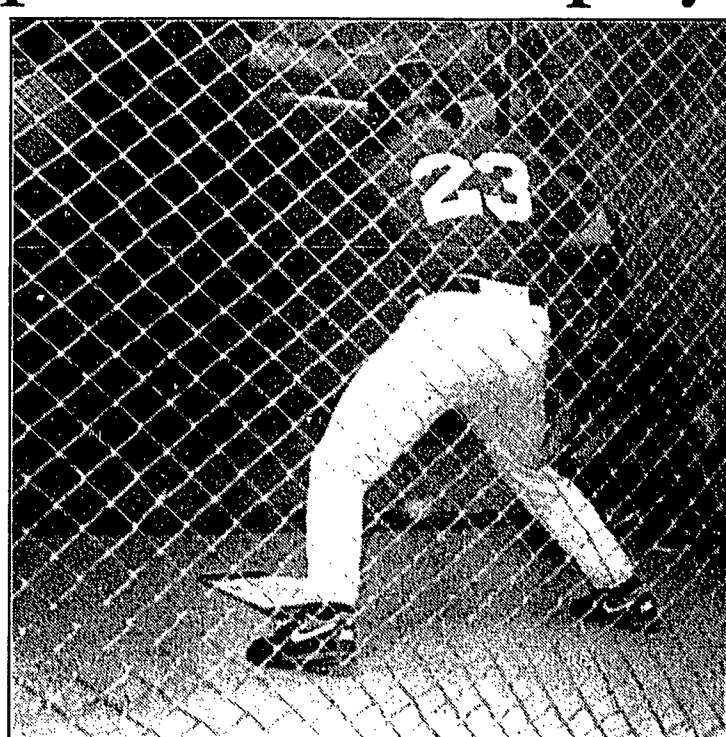
The victory was the result of an eight-inning performance in which Goheen gave up six hits, two runs (one earned), struck out one and walked one batter with an intentional walk.

The final score of the contest was 3-2. The offensive standout for the Bearcats was senior first baseman David Hobbs. He went two-for-three with a run scored.

The Hawks prevailed in the night-cap however, out-scoring Northwest 13-7. The Bearcats pounded out 14 hits but were unable to move runners around.

Bearcat coach Jim Johnson used seven pitchers in the seven-inning game and senior Kirk Amos was saddled with the loss.

The hot hitting of junior short-



**ANTONINO MICELI/Northwest Missourian**

**ALLOWING A WILD** pitch to go by during batting practice, junior infielder Bill Carter prepares for the upcoming pair of double-headers against Emporia State University this weekend.

stop Brian Witthar has not let up yet. He has raised his season average to .391, and has driven in 20 runs, second highest of the Bearcat individual totals.

Senior centerfielder Dave Benson has made a bid for MIAA hitter of the week honors with his .444 performance in the three games last week. Benson, the Bearcat leadoff hitter, had three RBI, three runs scored and three walks. He has driven his season

average to .299.

Friday, the Bearcats traveled to Warrensburg for a four game series with Central Missouri State University, but all four games were postponed due to rain.

#### PREVIEW

The Bearcats will take on Emporia State University Saturday, and Sunday, April 16-17, at home.

Tuesday, April 19, the 'Cats will travel to Kearney to play the University of Nebraska.

## Godreau places 3rd in 2-day heptathlon

By **GENE CASSELL**  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

Neither wind, cool temperatures nor a torrential rain fall Monday morning could dash the hopes of host squad Northwest in completing the Herschel Neil Decathlon/Heptathlon April 10 and 11 at Rickenbrode Stadium.

Bearcat decathlete, junior Jeff Fogel, led the men's decathlon at the end of the first day, but he finished fourth after he no-heighted in the pole vault, scoring no points.

"It was kind of frustrating going through the events just gliding," said Fogel. "I would have been a lot happier if I would have scored 8,000 points and placed second."

Junior Tasha Godreau finished third for the Bearcats. She led a sextet of 'Cat's top 15 finishers that included senior Shelly Keith (eighth), sophomore Ann Northup (10th), juniors Carrie Wood (11th) and Dina Beaumont (15th), and freshmen Heather Potts (12th) and Anne Carlson (13th).

"It was kind of fun to have all of them up there," said women's head coach Ron DeShon. "I was just proud of the way the women stuck in there."

The action in the decathlon/heptathlon was not the only com-

petition for the Northwest track squads. The Bearcats traveled to Emporia, Kan., April 7 for the Emporia State University Invitational.

"The kids performed well," said men's head coach Richard Alsup. "It was not a perfect day."

Bringing back the solitary first place finish for the Bearcat's was the mens 4x400-meter relay consisting of senior Ron Perkins, junior Anthony Rodgers, and sophomores Justin Sleath and Bobby Johnson.

Sleath brought in the men's best individual performance with a second place showing in the 400 dash.

Third place winners were sophomores Johnson and Mitch Dosland and junior Chris Blondin in the 400 hurdles, high jump and the 800 dash respectively.

Godreau won the 100 hurdles with Northup finishing third.

Junior Nancy Huppert placed in three individual events taking second in the discus and the shot put and fifth-place finish in the javelin.

Finishing in third-place slots for the Bearcats were sophomore Renee Stains in the 5,000 run and junior Tanya Drake in the 400 hurdles.

#### PREVIEW

Up next for the Bearcat men's and women's track teams the Missouri Southern Invitational in Joplin, Mo., Friday, April 15.



## HAVIN' FUN YET?

## How friendships form — we may never really know

Slight change of schedule today, I hope we don't throw anybody. Shane is on vacation. Check page eight.

Normally, in this space, you would find an insightful, humorous, almost elfin decree on the best things in life. The little insignificances that we forget to remember.

Shane might tell you about your first drive or the best time you ever had in your underwear.

Today, he has asked me to fill in. It's like the little kid who sometimes draws the "Family Circus." (Has that cartoon ever been funny?) Shane thinks so.

Shane is a friend of mine and sometimes that seems odd to me. Aside from writing, football, drinking, shooting pool, playing poker, watching "The Simpsons" and laughing there are very few things Shane and I can share. He is an entirely different species of person than I.

Whereas, he enjoys Zima, slapstick, Zappa, the Cubs, wide collars, putting his hands down his pants, wing tips, sappy movies and being nude among friends, I prefer Budweiser, Monty Python, Led Zeppelin, baseball caps, white socks, the Cardinals, flipping off poor drivers, Taco John's and public television.

We should not get along. Sometimes he embarrasses me and gets me into trouble. But, from what I can tell that's the way it is with most friends. And, like most people, I live for that embarrassment.

Most people claim a "best friend," but they can also list off 12 other people they spend some time with. It's the type of time that dictates the type of person. I have drinking buddies, smoking buddies, eating buddies and walking buddies.

There are people in my life exclusively for hackey sack, Sega, Seinfeld and cheat sheets. I have confidants and antagonists. I have delinquents, diplomats, philosophers, philanthropists, anarchists, pacifists, goalballs and wise men all available with a friendly phone call.

Male or female, black or white, dumb or smart, friends — life-long friends — can come from the least expected places. It is obvious everyone we meet has something to offer us. What makes us keep our "friends" and reject "that one guy?" And, what makes "that one guy's" friends accept him?

Pop culture has given us some answers, but they are all lacking in depth. Bo and Luke Duke were brothers and friends. Soap opera friends seem to thrive on treachery and betrayal.

Thelma and Louise became close friends as a result of a 600 mile run from justice. If they hadn't died, the courts probably would not have allowed them to be cellmates.

In reality, the "Cheers" gang would have been too tanked to even recognize each other, let alone form powerful bonds.

## Famous friends fall short

Scooby and Shaggy, that whole "Thirty-something" crowd, Cagney and Lacey, and Laverne and Shirley were all pretty tight. Bugs Bunny and Friends usually hit each other with hammers — like Siskel and Ebert.

I guess it's a group consensus. I have been involved with a million groups in my life.

I've been a part of preschool, grade school, Little League, the school band, a bicycle gang called "The Red Devils," the drama club, the East Des Moines Poker Club and Jug Band, and an underground fraternity.

I've done a Rotisserie baseball league, a Dungeons and Dragons party, a sandlot football team and a school newspaper. Many of those organizations and ideologies have been left in my past, but I still remember all the people I joined those dumb groups to be with.

The activity is never the central issue — it's the people who engage in that activity with you. I can even bowl with the right people.

The group of friends I have right now is the best. Face it, we are in the best place in the world to make friends. Maryville may not be your idea of heaven (if it is, seek therapy) but being in college, anywhere, is perfect for expanding your personal affiliations.

Whatever your goal is, everyone has a way to make friends. Some network or mingle. Others manipulate or intimidate. Still others cling, suffocate, hang, jam, party, entertain, love, or be kind.

Friends are a mixed blessing. My momma told me there would be days when my friends would lie, cheat, smack, reject, betray, subvert, mislead, annoy, anger and ruin me.

But those days are never bad enough to make me give up the days when my friends thrill, help, hug, contribute, bless, keep, hold, entertain, care, love and build me.

Maybe if Kurt Cobain had some more good friends he'd still be with us today. I sure hope my friends think of me as a good friend.

Thanks Shannon, Ed, Ted, Fran, Angela, Wes, Jillian, Brian, Jen, Jen, Jen, and Jen, Chris, Erin, Chris, Heather, Gary, Jo, Lush, Dave, Suzanne, Kevin, Duane, Scott, Roger, Nate, Kenton, Jimmy, Tommy, Benji, Lisa, Lawrence, Mike, Kelly, M.D., D.L., Mayberry, Jody and Shane.



Bob Jarrett  
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TRAVIS COATES ATTEMPTS to catch up to Doug Ronk, of the opposing team. One day, several years ago, Coates and a friend started throwing a Frisbee around while riding their mountain bikes, from there came the game known as Friz.

# Friz

High speed chases, races, spills, thrills

Scrapes, bruises not uncommon to those risky enough to throw a Frisbee while riding a bicycle

By FAY DAHLQUIST  
MISSOURIAN STAFF

With sharp hairpin reflexes, avid mountain cyclists race up and down the field next to College Pond. Shouts of "Hey man, are you okay?" and several expletives ring throughout the speedy game of Friz.

Friz is a game similar to ice hockey, except instead of the ice, skates and a puck, they play on mountain bikes, a grassy field and with a Frisbee.

If a passer-by were to stop and watch the cyclists race back and forth, it would seem the game was unstructured, but the game has a complex set of rules.

"The objective is to pass the frisbee between your own teammates in consecutive tosses and catches," Nate Diefendorf, sophomore, said. "Rider one would throw it to two, and you would throw it to three so then rider three has to throw it back to rider one, so they all catch the frisbee at least once and then you get a point for that."

A team can also earn points by intercepting the frisbee in a pass. Also if a player touches the ground with their feet while the frisbee is in their possession, they have to put the frisbee down where their foot was.

"It's a game of a man and his bike, really," A.J. Decarlo, freshman, said.

Friz came to Northwest last fall, and since then the number of players has been growing. When they first began playing there were no rules; those came as the players accustomed themselves to the game.

"I will never forget that first day, I never flew over the handle bars so many times," Eric Schuster, freshman, said.

Originally the game was played on the football field that they divided into four different sections — divided by the 20-yard lines. In order to go from section to section the frisbee had to be thrown.

To score a point, the frisbee had to be thrown from the last zone to the end zone.

"It's kind of slow that way, and this other way worked — to make the catch it was a lot more fast paced," Decarlo said.

Since the revamping of the game, it gets a lot rougher for the players causing more cuts and bruises.



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LOOKING FOR A breakaway Travis Coates peddles away from defender Doug Ronk. A point can be scored by the defense by intercepting a throw.

"There's a lot more blood drawn," Diefendorf said.

While Friz is rough, none of the players have ever been taken to the hospital. However, there have been some good cuts, and bikes bent out of shape.

"If you play long enough, you learn quickly — it's not serious enough to get injured," David Zang, freshman, said. "When you are first beginning it's kind of hard for them, because you have to bend over to pick up the frisbee."

In order for a catch to count, a player must be a bike length from the player who is throwing. Bottlenecking, when two

defensive players come in and block the player with the frisbee so they can not move, is allowed even though it usually turns into a big wreck.

"It's definitely not a gentlemen's sport," Decarlo said. "I mean it is a gentlemen's sport, to a point."

Like any other sport, Friz has its ways of cheating.

"I wouldn't call it cheating, it's just having fun," Travis Coates, senior, said. "People try to balance, which takes a lot of concentration, you have the tendency to mess with them a lot. Like going up and shifting, grabbing their back wheel. A lot of elbowing. There are a lot of dirty plays."

But some believe the dirty plays are done in fun.

"But they're not dirty," Coates said. "It's all taken in humor. There's no hard core competition to where it's just blood and guts."

According to a majority of the players, the most memorable game was one Saturday when there were visiting show choirs on campus. They were video recording them playing, and it just happened to be their longest game — three hours long.

The group usually meets whenever they feel like riding their bikes, and games can last as long as the players want to play.

"In Maryville there's no real trails really, so we have to take advantage of what we have around us," Decarlo said. "So why not play Friz?"

While some passers-by are interested in the game, there are some skeptics.

"Some people don't like the idea of us having a good time," Decarlo said. "Most people want to stop and check it out."

Even with the complex rules, the speed and threat of getting hurt, the main objective of the game is to have fun.

"Riding is a part of having fun," Coates said. "That is part of mountain biking itself. Any time, even when you go out and ride trails, when somebody wrecks you are like 'Whoa, check it out.' That's the fun."

## SIMPLE GAME OF BIKES &amp; FRISBEES

What: Friz Tournament

When: May 7 at 11 a.m.

More information:

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# SAY WHAT?

**BEEN CAUGHT STEALING** Chuck Jones, a publicist who admitted having a "sexual relationship" with Marla Trump's footwear, has been sentenced up to four and a half years in prison for stealing her shoes and lingerie. "I think the jury was wrong, and we're going to appeal this," Jones said.

**RIGHT ON BECK** The latest grungy guitar anti-hero is Beck, whose last name is Hansen but that's irrelevant to his career. He's 23 and would like to explain his latest album to his fans. "The whole concept of 'Mellow Gold' is that it's like a satanic K-Tel record that's been found in a trash dumpster. Someone played poker with it; someone tried to smoke it. Then the record was taken to Morocco and covered with humus and tabbouleh. Then it was flown back to a convention of water-skiers, who skied on it and played Frisbee with it."

**BOXING HER MEN** Kirstie Alley's views on men have changed. Before she wed actor Parker Stevenson, her ideal male was a "take-charge guy" who had never been in love before. Then, factoring in realities, the fantasy shifted slightly: "My big deal was that they had to have loved me more than they loved anyone in the whole world. I know this is sick, but I'd like to keep them as 'boys in a box' so I could take them out for a period of time, be with them, then shrink them again and put them away."

**OH NO YOKO** "I Felt Like Smashing My Face in a Clear Glass Window" was a song from Yoko Ono's off-Broadway musical "New York Rock;" however, it might be her reaction after hearing the reviews. The New York Times calls it "a crude allegorical revue." And USA Today says: "One comes out feeling like a fool, not just for having seen the show but because Ono has gotten so much mileage out of her 15 minutes of fame."

**DEFENDING MIKE** Michael Jackson, under investigation for child sexual abuse, has a strong defender in gangsta rapper Ice-T. "You gotta understand, being a black in America, every hero we ever had they took out. They kill every leader we got," he said. "What's happened to Michael is just the worst thing that's happened in my lifetime, after Mike Tyson. Michael has done more for America than anybody — he's a diplomat. It shows you the press will flip on you."

**NORM'S MOURNING** George Wendt, who played Norm in "Cheers," is having a hard time promoting his Monday, April 25, FOX Network movie, "Hostage for a Day." The late John Candy directed the film. "As stupid as it may sound to say, I know John would have wanted people to watch this thing," Wendt said.

Source: Entertainment Weekly, USA Today and Kansas City Star



## REEL TO REEL

## 'Weddings, Funeral' delightfully funny, poignant



Mike Johnson  
Movie Critic

MacDowell, Grant make marvelous couple in comedy about marriage, death

When a comedy comes along that has a few laughs and a decent plot, it is to be heralded like the second coming. "Clifford," "Reality Bites" and "Naked Gun 33 1/3" are middling movies that rate higher because they are fun to watch and contain those few laughs.

With this in mind, "Four Weddings and a Funeral" is a delightful achievement in film. It is funny and poignant, bittersweet and lightweight. It floats on air, yet it contains the most touching moment in film of the year.

The plot is simple. A series of four weddings and one funeral happen over the course of a year. Each wedding and funeral bring one man and woman closer together. Hugh Grant is charming in a star-making performance, and the annoying Andie MacDowell tones her accent and acting down. Together,

they are a marvelous couple.

The subplots are icing on the cake. The weddings are hilarious, throwing in every problem a bride and groom hope will not happen, but always inevitably does.

A wonderful supporting cast of quirky characters become like family by the end of the movie. The audience actually begins looking for different people to show up. Kristen Scott Thomas is particularly memorable as Fiona, the unlucky-at-love woman who has a torch for Grant.

It is easy to overpraise a movie for bringing joy for a couple of hours. However, "Four Weddings and a Funeral" deserves every bit of the praise for making one anxious to go back and experience the laughter again.

Rating: ★★★★★

A boy loves a girl, who is in love

with a boy, who is in love with the boy, who loves the girl. Got it? It is this hot and potentially flammable premise that makes two company and "Threesome" a crowd.

Stephen Baldwin and Josh Charles play roommates who, because of a glitch in admissions, get a female addition in the form of the lovely Lara Flynn Boyle. The three roommates eventually become friends, but they make the agreement to not become lovers.

This agreement does not last and an intriguing sexual relationship ensues. Boyle has sex with both men, swearing them to secrecy. It is when all three of them are together, though, that the real sexual sparks fly.

"Threesome" is one of the most sexually open mainstream films in recent history.

The three leads are appealing. Baldwin brings a terrific jocular charm to his role as the stupid sex addict. Boyle is appropriately annoyingly cloying. Charles is the male Helen Hunt and perfectly embodies the sexually-confused gay man. All three have chemistry with each other. They wrestle, have shaving cream fights and successfully alienate anyone who tries to enter their special triangle.

The film does not handle some of the stickier aspects of the relationship well, and it backs itself against a brick wall a few times. The frank sexuality of the film gets it over these ruts by not whitewashing the whole thing.

For the person who is open-minded and intrigued by unique dilemmas of sexuality, "Threesome" is the perfect little menage a trois.

Rating: ★★★

## THE STROLLER

## MTV drags on death too long

Is anyone else really sick of rain, or is it just me? Hey, if it is just me, then sure, I will quit whining about it, but if it is all of us in general, then I feel compelled to speak for the masses.

It is not so much the rainy spring days that I mind — it is this flooding thing. I thought that the Midwest had its share of the rain/flood thing last summer. I guess I was wrong. In my eyes, the whole thing is not right. We are here in the middle of nowhere and don't deserve this kind of treatment. That is why tornados occur here.

Tornados are our meteorological punishment. Flooding is supposed to occur on the coasts and in the south. Not here in the Midwest. It is a common fact that California's annual punishment (besides mudslides and riots) are earthquakes. Ours is definitely tornados. I do not believe we requested another type of punishment. If we have, I am not aware of it.

Speaking of punishment, last week a very tragic thing happened to our generation. In case you live in a hole and have not heard, Kurt Cobain, the lead singer of the band Nirvana, took his own life. Friday I was semi-crushed. I did not believe that it was true at first. I do not claim to be a die-hard fan of Nirvana, but the suicide of Cobain definitely took me off guard. I am not sure of the impact that this had on you, but for me, I was shocked.

One of the things bothering me almost as much as Cobain's untimely death is MTV. MTV has been running a Nirvana vigil 24-hours a day since the announcement of Cobain's suicide. This is fine to mourn the death



Yours Truly disgruntled about rain, rock star's suicide

and honor the work of the late man, and I think that for a few days this could have been tolerated, but it is nearly a week later — can the public please see a few different videos?

Besides the whole video thing, Courtney Love, Cobain's eccentric widow made a statement to fans that has been played several times on MTV. During a vigil on Sunday, Love's statement was played for the fans for the first time. She claims to blame herself and said she "listened to too many people" in regard to what to do about

Cobain's admittance into a drug-treatment center. She came across to me as someone who really did not care what the fans thought or believed, and her speech to them seemed more like a hassle to her than a service to the fans. I know, I know, her husband has just committed suicide, but if she was going to make a statement, a written press release would have done the job and made her out to be a little more of a nice person.

I see no reason for MTV, a station supposedly devoted to several aspects of rock and rap music to dwell entirely on the Seattle-scene for days on end. Really, did NBC play every movie John Candy starred in after his sudden death? No. Did Universal immediately release a River Phoenix movie marathon on video after his death? No. Sure, Cobain may have been a great singer, but the rest of us who are not such devoted Nirvana fans may want to move on. As for Yours Truly, I know I do.

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## Jim's Journal

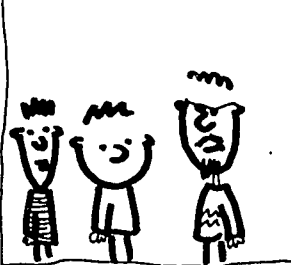
Today Steve and I were hanging out not doing much.



Tony came by and had a mustache and a goatee.



Steve said, "Who are you, Malcolm X?"



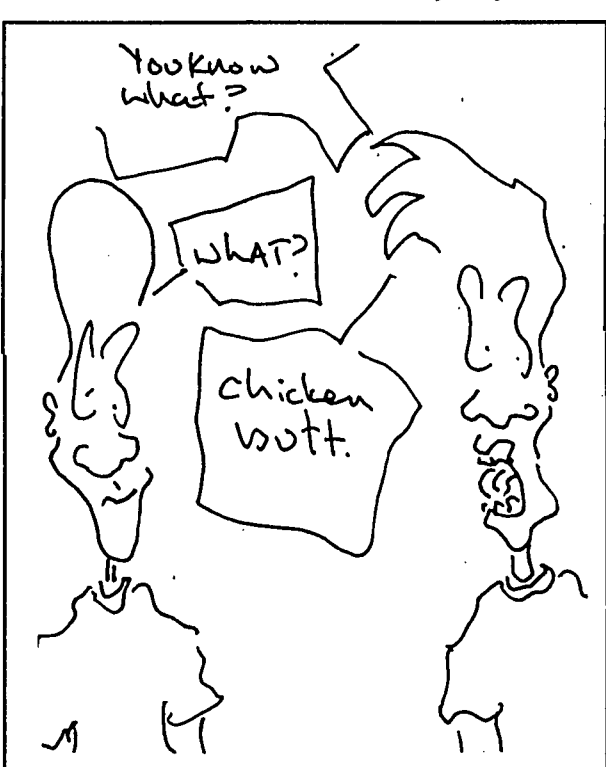
Tony said, "Shut up, you loser," and put an unlit cigarette in his mouth and walked away.



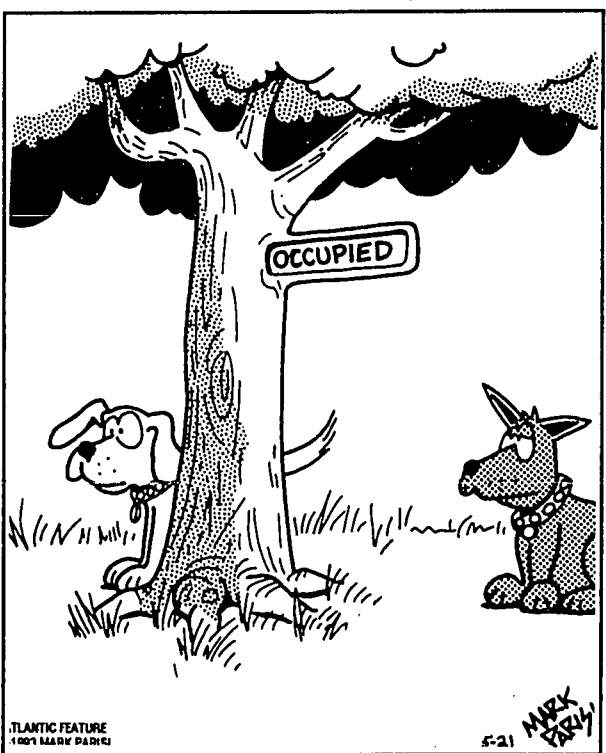
by Jim

## Smack!

By Benji Damron



## Off the Mark by Mark Parisi



## WEEKEND PLANNER

## M.O.V.I.E.S

(check with theaters for show times)

## MARYVILLE

Missouri Twin  
(582-4834)

"Naked Gun 33 1/3," "8 Seconds"

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"Lightning Jack," "Threesome,"  
"Naked Gun 33 1/3," "8 Seconds"

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"Guarding Tess," "Schindler's List,"  
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"Mighty Ducks II," "Major League II,"  
"The Ref," "The Paper," "Thumbelina"

## Dickenson Trail Theater

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"Mrs. Doubtfire"

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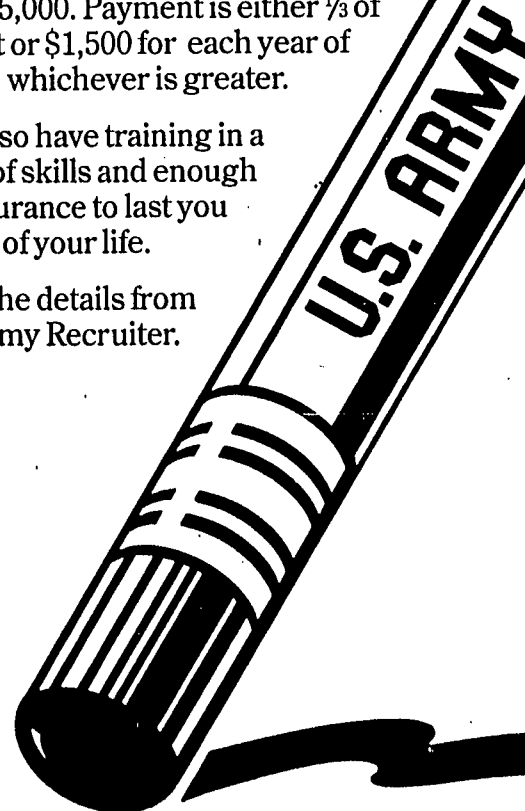
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